



16th October 2020

Reminder—Next week is a 4 Day week!
—last day Thursday 22nd October

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions we are unable to invite you to join us for our Harvest Festival in the church this year. However, we are keen that this important event is still celebrated in school and that we continue with our annual donation of items to the foodbank. A suggested list of priority items is included in this newsletter. Now, more than ever, we are keen to support families who are really struggling and we would be grateful for any items brought in to school to add to our collection. Each class is making a short Harvest video and we hope to share these electronically with you next week. Food items can be brought in to school any day next week (Mon—Thurs).

Many Thanks for your anticipated support. Best Wishes, Fran Brinicombe

REMINDER YoungMinds Mental Wellbeing Awareness Day—Thursday 22nd October

On **Thursday 22nd October** we will be promoting mental wellbeing among young people. We will be asking for **voluntary donations of £1** for the charity 'YoungMinds'.

Ruby Class

Ruby class have been immersing themselves into their new text "How to Catch a Dragon!". They have been looking at the characters in the book and describing them to their peers using 'wow' words such as, huge, scary, frightening, brave and proud! Another fantastic week in Ruby - well done everyone!

Star Learner

Reception : Otis is star learner because he gives 100% in everything that he does. Otis has settled in school life so well and is a great role model to those around him. He is showing good listening skills and is always helping adults. Otis has also made his own number line this week. Keep it up Otis!

Emerald Class

Emerald class have been writing letters to the Council of Ignis! The children are concerned that dragons are being captured and trained! The children have also been preparing for their royal Ignis Banquet by making crowns, goblets and practising their court dancing!

Star Learner

Year 1 : Fares because he has completed some wonderful pieces of writing! He has been very creative in his ideas but he has also been presenting his work beautifully! Well done Fares!

Year 2 : Imogen for her super maths work this week! She has been solving lots of maths problems independently using addition and subtraction!

Sapphire Class

Have had an exciting week, designing and building their very own bridges using wooden dowelling, hacksaws and bench hooks. They have been measuring carefully to ensure their cut pieces are accurate for a successful bridge design.

Star Learner

Year 3 : Marie has been very creative this week. She used 2B and 4B shading pencils to create definition and detail when drawing a dragon's eye. Her bridge in design technology is also amazing.

Year 4 : Evie has used personification this week in her writing. She has been thinking about how to add detail to our Wings, Roars and Claws sanctuary posters and she has written fabulous diary entries of both successful and unsuccessful missions our team have completed.

Suggested Items

(Priority Items in red)

- ❖ UHT Milk – semi-skimmed 1L
- ❖ Fruit Juice – long-life 1L
- ❖ Pasta Sauce
- ❖ Instant Coffee
- ❖ Tinned Meat
- ❖ Tinned Fish (tuna)
- ❖ Tinned Vegetables
- ❖ Tinned Potatoes
- ❖ Tinned Fruit
- ❖ Noodle / Pasta Snacks
- ❖ Rice – 500g
- ❖ Sugar
- ❖ Sponge Puddings
- ❖ Custard – cartons / tins
- ❖ Jams & Spreads
- ❖ Rice Pudding
- ❖ Fruit Squash
- ❖ Biscuits
- ❖ Tea bags – smaller packs
- ❖ Toiletries (e.g. loo roll, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste)

If you have a child in Ruby class it is important to check your child's Tapestry account every day. The staff in Ruby will post observations regarding your children's learning, their next steps, how to help at home and important messages. If anyone has any problems with their account, please see Miss Bassett

Diamond Class

This week Diamond class have created pictures for their class Harvest video and each of the Diamond children appears in the film to tell the story of how an elderly man plants some potatoes. Diamond have looked at multiplication methods in maths, and in science have studied the main animal groups. The Diamond class children have also begun to draft the story of their first successful dragon-saving mission as the WRC!

Star Learner

Year 5: Jake has worked extremely hard across all of the subjects this week. He has crafted a lovely story set in the wonderful world of Ignis, making excellent use of speech punctuation. Well done and thank you Jake!

Year 6: Holly - We have been hugely impressed by Holly's work ethic and attitude towards her learning this week. Holly has listened and acted upon advice in maths, and is beginning to include accurate speech punctuation in her writing. Well done and thank you Holly!

Our Christian Values

Respect

Forgiveness

Compassion

Friendship

Justice

Trust



Newsletter

Please note we will be STRICTLY adhering to the Guidance below:

If your child is unwell with any symptoms of Covid-19 **DO NOT SEND THEM IN TO SCHOOL** as this poses a risk to their peers, teachers, teaching assistants and our wider school community.

Please continue to be alert for the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
 - a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
 - a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If you or anyone in your household shows any of the three symptoms, everyone in the household must self isolate and not come to school. The person with symptoms should arrange for a test as soon as possible.

NHS Test and Trace - Update from Devon's Public Health Team

- NHS Test and Trace was launched to support the next stage of the pandemic. This is a national function to help trace close recent contacts of anyone who tests positive and notifies them if they need to self-isolate. The objectives of NHS Test and Trace are to control the rate of reproduction (R), reduce the spread of infection and save lives.
- It is supported by new Local Authority responsibilities.

If a child or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus then they will need to self-isolate at home for 10 days following the guidance given—the rest of their family will also need to isolate. Siblings must not attend school for 14 days even if they are asymptomatic.

It is important that you inform the school if your child or a member of the household tests positive as we are then required to follow a strict protocol.

Free School Meals (FSM)

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals. However entitlement will also have other benefits including the reduction in price of some trips and visits. Children whose parents are getting any of the following are entitled to free school meals & benefits (FSM):

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

If you think you may be eligible please apply through the Devon Citizens Portal. This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision. Alternatively, call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

STAY & PLAY

Please use the following link to apply for Stay and Play after school childcare places.

[Click Here](#)

Please note there will be no Stay and Play sessions on the last days of term.

Friday 18th December

Thursday 31st March

Thursday 22nd July

There is be NO Stay and Play on Friday 23rd October due to a Non-Pupil Day