



Stondon Lower News

The Weekly Round Up

Friday 5th March



Congratulations on making it to the end of another period of home schooling! We are looking forward to welcoming all the children back on Monday. It has been fantastic to hear from the teachers that so many children expressed how excited they were to return to school during their phone calls home this week. We understand that for some children and even adults there will be some anxieties but rest assured we will do all we can to support those who need it. It will be an adjustment period for both children and adults but one that we will get through together.

Yesterday, you will have received the return to school arrangements. Not much has changed from the routines and processes that we had in place during the Autumn term however please do take the time to read it and refresh your memories.

As the weather starts to warm up, it will be very tempting to play in the recreation park and no doubt your children will be masters of “pester power”. Please can we ask that you do not gather to do this at this time. As we have to keep the children in class groups only when in school, allowing them to mix after school will undo everything we have done to reduce their contacts during the day. Transmission by touch is a big risk as is a lack of social distancing between children in different groups and adults. The large play equipment is not cleaned. If groups of children do this and there is a positive case, then more groups in school may have to isolate or cases could easily become wide spread. So far we have had very few bubble closures and we want to keep all our bubbles intact and need your help to do this.

Enjoy your weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday!

Mrs Dumpleton

World Book Day

Well Stondon Lower really knows how to celebrate World Book Day! We had a packed out day this Thursday with lots of activities going on. We hope that you enjoyed the joint assembly with Shillington, it was lovely to see so many of you there. Jessica Merserve, an author, joined us to read her brand new book ‘Beyond the Burrow’ which was wonderful. We hope that you have managed to watch the videos of our ‘Masked Reader’ did you work out which teachers were reading their favourite stories?- who was that monkey??!! And the costumes, well you all looked amazing. Thank you for making such an effort! We have seen all of the photos you have sent in and are very impressed! Don’t forget to download your book token which was sent on parent mail to collect your free book or we have some printed tokens at school which you can collect next week.



SEE YOU ON MONDAY!!



SeeSaw

From next week, please do not use the message function on SeeSaw to contact you class teacher. Please use the diary or contact the office

Water bottles

Please remember to send your child in to school every day with a water bottle. We will send it home at the end of each day to be washed and refilled for the next day.



School lunches

We will be providing hot lunches from the 8th March. We will be back starting on week 3 of the menu. As before Christmas reception, year 1 and year 2 will eat their lunch in the hall at separate times with years 3 and 4 eating in their classrooms to ensure we can keep our bubbles separate.

Children can decide on the day if they would like a school lunch and will choose their preferred option in the morning when registering.



Parking on Hillside Road

Can we please ask you when dropping off and collecting your children that you do not park on the yellow lines opposite the school playground or outside of the village hall. The recreation ground car park is open for all parents to use, whether you are using the front or back doors. Please be considerate to our neighbours and other road users by not blocking driveways or parking on the pavement.



PE Days

On PE days children are invited to come in to school wearing their PE Kit. The schedule for PE days is:

- Reception– Wednesday and Thursday
- Year 1– Monday and Tuesday
- Year 2– Tuesday and Friday
- Year 3– Tuesday and Thursday
- Year 4– Tuesday and Friday



Diary

Please make sure your child’s diary is in school every day. This is the best way for the classroom staff to communicate with you if they need to.

Reporting absence



If your child is absent from school please call the school office and leave a message on the absence voicemail. Please be clear to why your child is not in school, if you leave a message saying your child is ‘unwell’ then it is likely that Mrs Greenman will need to call you back for some more details.