



## Parent Letter 16/10/20







As the half term draws to a close next week, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your co-operation and consideration during what has been a significant challenge for the school in the children returning to school in September. I have been delighted with the children's approach to learning and also the way that parents have accommodated the many necessary changes. It hasn't been easy for anybody but with the thought in mind that it is best for the safety of the children it has worked really well – so thank you.

A few reminders:

-  School is closed for Inset on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October so the last day of this half term is the Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October
-  Your child will bring back their PAT (Progress and Attainment) card on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October which will reflect their start to the year and suggest a few targets for them to be working towards next half term.



The children had an Autumn 1 test this week, the data from which we will use to populate the progress table with when you receive the second card in the next half term. This card replaces our normal Parent Consultation meetings which for obvious reasons we are unable to conduct in the usual way.

-  As we said a few weeks ago, as the weather gets colder please ensure that your child has additional layers, such as a tracksuit or coat, for PE as we are continuing to have these lessons outside for the obvious health benefits.
-  We are also still trying to get out at break times as often as possible so please remember to send the children in with coats.
-  UNIFORM has been brilliant – thank you
-  BEHAVIOUR has also continued to be excellent – our weekly yellow slip count continues to be less than 1%.
-  We still have our draft clubs provision planned but given the current national climate, will wait to see how the next two weeks pan out before we embark upon beginning this venture.
-  The start of each day has been brilliant, the children get straight into class and on with work and the co-operation at the end of the day continues to be good. We will be keeping the current timings until half term and, as ever, review the situation before making any changes. You will be informed well in advance of any changes.

Thank you again for helping the school run so well. We will continue to review the arrangements across each week and keep you informed of our decisions.

Best Wishes

Dr Jones

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