NEWSLETTER 2 – 11th September 2020

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Romans – Children in Year 3 and 4 have begun this term's topic 'Romans'. They have been finding out about Romulus and Remus and the events that led to the founding of the city of Rome.

<u>Photographs</u> – The Reception children had their class photographs taken this week by the Stratford Herald. Photos will be in their 'First Day at School' supplement on 8th October.

School Arrival & Collection Times - Please remember only one parent per family should drop off children and collect them in the afternoon. With the increase in the levels of Covid infection, drop off and pick up times present a particular risk of infection spread in the wider community. Please ensure that you do not socialise on our site or allow children to play in groups on the grass areas. Please maintain the 2 metre distance between each of you – this will also enable us to see parents clearly when we are dismissing the children. If you need to collect your child outside of normal times, please wear a face covering when coming into the school foyer.

<u>Contact Details & Consent (GDPR)</u> – Last week your child brought home an envelope containing <u>Data collection sheets</u> for contacts and various <u>Consent forms</u>. Please return the completed forms by MONDAY 16th SEPT. Our Privacy Notice detailing how we use information about children is on our school website.

<u>Coats</u> – A number of children have been coming to school this week without coats – please make sure they bring one each day even if the weather is mild.

<u>Pupils and Social Media</u> – There have been reports of children viewing an upsetting social media post this week in the national media. It is important to talk to children generally about what they should do if they see something that upsets them online and give them a chance to talk about it. Please be aware that the minimum age for having Facebook, Snapchat, TikTok or Instagram accounts is 13.

<u>Sims Pay</u> - We are no longer accepting cash in the office from Monday 14th September (except in exceptional circumstances) and all payments should be made securely online using SIMS Pay. Please contact the office if you require an activation code for online payments.

<u>PGL Trip</u> - We are hoping to reschedule the cancelled PGL trip for March 2021. We will let you know more details as soon as final arrangements have been made.

Book of the Week – Children in Mrs Walsh's class have been reading 'The Tiger who came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be? What they certainly do not expect to see at the door is a big furry, stripy tiger!

Mr A Simms