NEWSLETTER 4 – 27th September 2019

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

Owl Babies – After reading the 'Owl Babies' story the week children in Reception have made their own 'Owl Babies' from rice cakes decorated with icing , raisins, carrot, apple, cereal and chocolate buttons. Children were able to explore different shapes and how they can be use to make patterns.

Maths Rapid Recall Targets - To support children's understanding of our number system we are using a resource called Rapid Recall. Children from Year 2 to Year 6 have been issued with targets relating to each of the steps in the resource. Today they will have brought home a letter introducing which step they are on and details about each of the targets within that step to help you support them at home with their learning. Children take part in weekly classroom activities to develop their fluency in the number steps.

Phonics – On Wednesday Mrs Ellwood held a meeting for Reception parents to explain how we support their children with their reading through our Phonics programme.

School Meals – We will be serving a Pupil Favourites lunch menu on Thurs 3th Oct - Pizza or Twisty Pasta with Tomato Sauce served with Potato Wedges, Salad and Sweetcorn. Cookie, Ice Cream, yoghurt or Fresh Fruit.

School Safety – Please help to keep our children safe when they are coming to and from school by:
- Walking through the ***pedestrian gate*** and not through the vehicle exit.
- Not parking in the drop off.
- Parking in Wards Lane carpark, only a short walk away behind the Fire Station.
- Not blocking access by stopping in the entrance/ exit gates.

Clubs – There will be no cricket club Mon 30th Sept.

Reminders
- *Coats* – Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a named coat as the weather is turning colder.
- *Notes/Payments* – Children should hand in notes (appointments, going home arrangements etc) directly to their **class teacher** (not the office) in the mornings.
- *Team GB Vouchers* – We are collecting the Aldi Team GB vouchers, please send them into school with your child.

Dates for your Diary –
- ***Individual pupil photographs*** will be taken on Fri 11th Oct. *Year 4 children are to wear school uniform and bring their PE kits with them to change into later.*
- *Harvest Festival* - is on Thurs 3rd Oct (parents welcome) Rec & KS1 9.15-9.45am, KS2 10.00-10.30am. We would be grateful for donations of produce which can be sent into school with the children on the morning. Our Year 5 children will be selling the produce after school to raise money for Water Aid.
- *School Open Mornings* for prospective parents will be on Tues 15th and Weds 16th Oct between 10 and 11.30am.
- *Parent & Teacher meetings* will be held on Tues 22nd Oct (6 - 8.30pm) and Thurs 24th Oct (4 - 6.30pm).
- *Teacher Training Days* (school closed to children) are being held on Fri 25th Oct & Mon 6th Jan.

Book of the Week – Children in Mrs Flavell's class have been enjoying the traditional tale of 'The Enormous Turnip'. What happens when a very, very large turnip doesn't want to be pulled out of the ground!

Mr A Simms

<u>SAVE THE DATES!!</u>

The first school disco of this school year will be on **<u>Friday 18th October</u>**!!! Times to be confirmed
 (Reception children will have their first disco within the school day)

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Our Christmas Fair will be on **<u>Friday 29th November</u>** this year to kick start the festivities and leave your Decembers free to enjoy! (this will be an evening event – times to be confirmed)

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 Our AGM is on Tuesday 15th October at 7pm in school – all welcome!

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Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2020/21

August 2020
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Half Term	Days
1	39
2	35
3	30
4	29
5	29
6	33
Total	195

	Total days
Autumn Term	74
Spring Term	59
Summer Term	62

Legend:
- School Holiday
- Public Holiday
- Teacher Training Day (+3 to be set by school)
- School Induction Day

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