## NEWSLETTER 5 - 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Covid-19 Awareness</u> – I would like to remind parents that only <u>one adult</u> should come to school to drop off or collect children. In the mornings, please do not leave until you have seen that your child has entered school.

The times to arrive at school are: **Reception Ellwood** - 8.45am **Reception Roberts** - 9.00am

**Key Stage 1** doors open 8.55am and close 9.00am & **Key Stage 2** doors open 8.45am and close 8.50am If you are late (KS2) and the hall doors/gate are closed please wait in the waiting area until we are able to let you in to the hall after KS1 have entered. Anyone arriving after 9am should report to the office. Face coverings should be worn at all times on school premises. These measures are to ensure social distancing and keep us all safe.

<u>School Photographs</u> – Children have had their individual photograph taken today. Details of how to order are on the proof form that your child has brought home. Unfortunately, due to the 'class bubble' arrangements we were unable to take family photographs.

<u>All about Me</u> – Children in KS1 have been looking at photographs of themselves in science to see how they have grown and changed.

<u>Governor News</u> - At last week's Governors meeting Phil Wilkinson was elected as Chair, taking over from Paul Fountain. The Governing Body and the school would like to thank Paul for his tireless work over the last seven years as Chair of Governors. He will remain as Vice Chair in his role as Local Authority Governor. We would also like to thank and bid farewell to Helen Lillington who has stepped down after six years and welcome Rebecca Wilber who is joining as a co-opted governor.

<u>Instrument Lessons</u> – Lessons will be starting next week for those pupils who have booked them. **Guitar** and **Drum** lessons will be on a **Tuesday**, **Woodwind** will be on **Thursday** and **Keyboard & Vocal** on **Frida**y. Please ensure your child comes in with their instrument on the right day. We have a drum kit and keyboards in school for children to use but if your child is doing drums please send them in with their own drumsticks.

<u>Parents Evenings</u> – Parents evenings this year will be held by telephone on Thursdays 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October. 10 minute appointments will be available to book online from Monday morning on *SIMS Pay*. Please contact the office for an activation code if you do not already have one.

Staff Vacancy – We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor - contact the office for an application form.

<u>Secondary School Applications</u> - The deadline for Secondary School Applications is *Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct*. Online applications should be made at <a href="http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool">http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applyforschool</a>.

## **Dates for your Diary**

- <u>School Open Evenings</u> for prospective parents for Reception 2021 will be on Tues 13<sup>th</sup> and Weds 14<sup>th</sup>, Tues 20<sup>th</sup> and Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Oct between 5.30pm and 6.30pm. Please phone school on 01789 773201 to book an appointment.
- Teacher Training Day (school closed to children) on Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct.
- <u>Flu Immunisations</u> will take place on Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. Further details and consent forms will be emailed nearer the time.

<u>Book of the Week</u> – Children in Mrs Bond's class have been reading 'The Families Book' by Todd Parr. It celebrates the love we feel for our families and all the different varieties they come in. No matter what kind of family you have, every family is special in its own unique way.

## **Mr A Simms**