

## Remote Education Information for Parents

It has been great to see so many of you engaging in remote learning on Teams this week. I am so proud of all your hard work and know your teachers have all been delighted with you. Please keep it up! If you are having any difficulties with this, as we know learning from home can be challenging, please let us know. We are more than happy to support in anyway we can. I would like to say a huge thank you to staff for adapting so quickly to this new way of working. I know they are finding new ways to use Teams each day and have enjoyed the live sessions this week. For many of our teachers, this was a new skill!

We are required to have information about our approach to remote learning on our website. This can be found under 'School Life', 'Remote Learning'.

Our 'Remote Education Information for Parents' has also been emailed with the newsletter for this week.

## A warm Summerseat welcome...

This week, Mr Rolle has joined our Summerseat family as our office manager. I know you will start to get to know him quickly. He is looking forward to meeting you all in person as soon as possible. That means we say goodbye to Mrs Maggie Whittaker who has been working in the office for us on a temporary basis since June. She has been a great help and on behalf of the staff and Governors I want to extend our thanks to her.

## Newsletter

### Friday 15th January

Website: <https://www.summerseatmethodistprimary.co.uk/>

Twitter: [https://twitter.com/Summerseat\\_mps](https://twitter.com/Summerseat_mps)



## Award Winners

### *Who has been shining this week at Summerseat?*

<b>Class One</b>	Golden Award— Harry Values Award - Joey
<b>Class Two</b>	Golden Award— Lucas Values Award - Jacob
<b>Class Three</b>	Golden Award— Daniel & Amelie Values Award - Jake
<b>Class Four</b>	Golden Award— Jessica & Will Values Award - Martha

## Dates for your Diary

<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	School Closes for Half Term
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	School Opens
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	World Book Day
<b>Fri 19th Mar</b>	Comic Relief
<b>Week beg: Mon 29th Mar</b>	Parents Evening

## Website

Our new website is now live! Please bear with us while we update some of the content. We will be adding new information regularly over the next few weeks.

## Reading Books

We want all our children to continue to enjoy books during this period. From next week, teachers will be assigning children online phonic texts through Big Cat Ebooks or inviting you to come and collect a reading book from school. More details will be made available by your teachers on Teams next week. Please remember to keep filling in your reading diary so that we can see what you have been reading when we return to school.

## Free School Meals

I know there has been much debate in the press regarding how best to provide meals to pupils who meet the benefits-related free school meals eligibility criteria. Food parcels have had varied response. From next week, any eligible family will receive vouchers via email as in the previous lockdown if their child is learning from home. This will be through Edenred so please look out for this. If you do not receive this email and are eligible, please get in touch via the school office as a matter of urgency.

## Live Shine Assembly

Every Friday, we will hold our 'Shine' assembly. Your child will have the 'Summerseat' team on their Teams account. Within this is a recurring meeting link. We do hope you can **join us at 2:50pm** to hear about the good work that has been going on both at home and in school across the week. We will be posting certificates to those children who are working at home. The first live assembly will take place today. (15th Jan)