

### Statutory Assessments

As I am sure you are aware, announcements were made recently regarding the statutory assessments for primary schools. Given the most recent school closure, the following decisions have been made at a national level:

#### **Key stage 1 and key stage 2 assessments**

The national curriculum assessments due to be held in summer 2021, including tests, teacher assessments and the phonics screening check, have been cancelled.

#### **Multiplication tables check**

Schools can choose to administer the optional multiplication tables check within the 3-week period from Monday 7 June. Further guidance will be published in March 2021.

As a school, we will continue to use assessments to inform our teaching and make sure children continue to make good progress,

### Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's mental health week. With the current national situation, it is more important than ever to look after not only our physical but also our mental health. Please tune in to Monday's assembly for ideas about how to stay mentally well and how we will support at school.

### A Summerseat Star

As a school, one of our key curriculum drivers is that we want all children to leave us with high aspirations and go out into the world and shine. I was delighted this week to hear the news about the success of a past pupil. Heather Taylor has just been offered a place at Cambridge. She is an ex pupil, whose mum loved the Summerseat family. A huge well done

### Newsletter

#### Friday 29th January

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### Award Winners

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

<b>Class One</b>	Golden Award— Grace Values Award - Riley
<b>Class Two</b>	Golden Award— Blake Values Award - Devon
<b>Class Three</b>	Golden Award— Faye & Ruby Values Award - Thomas
<b>Class Four</b>	Golden Award— Isaac & Lily Values Award - Louis

### Dates for your Diary

<b>Tues 2nd Feb</b>	Class Four Parent Meetings
<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>Thurs 1st April</b>	School closes for the Easter Break at 3:20pm

### Remote Learning & Live Sessions

I have been busy monitoring our remote learning offer over the last two weeks and I am really pleased with the quality of teaching and learning and your participation. I am confident all DfE guidelines are being met and Ofsted advice has been adhered to. Teaching is clear and concise and builds on a progression of knowledge and skills from our 'Summerseat Steps in Learning' curriculum. A real range of resources are being used to support teaching and learning. Both external 'expert' teaching videos and personalised teacher videos and voice overs are used effectively, providing clarity and support. I am pleased our live sessions are well attended. We hope you are enjoying taking part in our live phonic and reading sessions. I know all the staff love seeing you for these! We are so pleased with the work you are continuing in these key school priority areas and across the curriculum. Marking and feedback is usually subject specific and includes a variety of positive comments linked to learning and next steps / 'fix-its'. Children are working incredibly hard to produce and submit work of a high standard. Parents / carers are amazingly supportive and creative in the way they help our children. Full daily engagement is around 84%, with partial engagement (a few assignments completed over the course of week) at 95%. Staff, children and parents are literally going above and beyond! Thank you all.

As ever, we want to continually improve and our next steps include building in further interaction in our live sessions and personalising work further as appropriate to ensure appropriate levels of challenge. We would appreciate your time to complete a quick survey and give your feedback.

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