

Coronavirus Update

As I am sure you already know, we are expecting to hear the plan for the journey out of this most recent lockdown on 22nd February. What we do know is that children will not be returning to school after February half-term as originally hoped. Boris Johnson said, "Our plan for leaving lockdown will set out our approach for reopening schools. If we achieve our target of vaccinating everyone in the four most vulnerable groups, with their first dose by February 15th, and every passing sees more progress to this goal...Then those groups that have developed immunity from the virus, about three weeks later, that is, by 8th March. We hope it will therefore be safe to begin the reopening of schools from Monday 8th March." Therefore, until further notice, children will continue to work remotely on Teams. Remote learning will break for half term with the last day of remote learning being Friday 12th February, re-starting after the break on Monday 23rd February. We will not be open to any pupils during February half term. The DfE have explained, "Schools will close as usual over February half-term." Along with the newsletter, please see attached an update from Bury Local Authority.

Additional Live Sessions Class 3 & Class 4

Following your comments in the parent survey, from next week, we will be offering 2 x 15 minute live sessions for class 3 and class 4. The focus will be on modeling and explaining tasks and providing feedback or further explanation on some activities that have been set during the week. The details of these will be communicated by the teacher through Teams.

Newsletter

Friday 5th February

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Award Winners

Who has been shining this week at Summerseat?

Class One	Golden Award— Seb Values Award - Eleanor
Class Two	Golden Award— Amelie Values Award - Hugo
Class Three	Golden Award— Lucy & Edward Values Award - Isaac B
Class Four	Golden Award— Adam & Izzy Values Award - Will

Dates for your Diary

Friday 12th Feb	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 22nd Feb	School Opens
Thursday 4th Mar	World Book Day
Fri 19th Mar	Comic Relief
Thurs 1st April	School closes for the Easter Break at 3:20pm

Remote Learning Parent Survey

Thank you so much for taking the time to give your feedback on our remote learning offer last week. This will really help us to continue to build and strengthen our offer over the next few weeks.

- 100% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed that children were set 3-4 hours of work in line with government expectations
- 100% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed that their child received clear explanations of new content provided by their teacher or through quality video resources.
- 90% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed that their child received regular feedback on their work.
- 100% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed that their child benefits from the live sessions on offer.
- 100% of respondents strongly agreed or agreed that their child has regular contact from their teacher. .
- 100% of respondents are happy with the remote learning offer at Summerseat.

We had some useful comments which we are already acting on:

- In response to feedback regarding additional support for mental health for children working at home, we have taken an active part in Children's Mental Health week with Relax Kids available daily. We will continue this for the duration of lockdown.
- All staff are encouraging children to use the chat in the correct way and asking them not to use pictures or emojis. We understand this makes it harder to locate relevant content.
- In response to your feedback, we will be introducing 2 x 15 min live sessions in Class 3 and class 4.

We are delighted with the feedback and I cannot thank you enough for all your hard work at home and support during these unprecedented times. Thank you also to all the staff for their continuing hard work and care for the children at home and school.