



Children's Mental Health Week

This week, in school and at home, we have been recognising CMHW and the importance of looking after our mental health. The children have enjoyed making their well-being waves and hopefully parents can see these bright, colourful hands waving at them from our family's homes on their daily walks; you can also see these on our Facebook page. Thank you to Miss Glaves for organising this week for us.

Inset Day 12th February

A reminder that next Friday is an Inset day therefore school is closed to all pupils. Teachers will not be setting online learning for the 12th but parents may still wish to complete any learning from the week. Please note, any learning uploaded onto Tapestry or Google Classroom on this day will not receive feedback from the class teacher. If your child usually has their live feedback session on a Friday, they will be added to another group for next week. This information will be posted on Tapestry/Google Classroom.

Google Classroom

Last week, the 4L classroom experienced IT difficulties and had to be deleted and reset. Unfortunately, there is a small chance of this happening to any of our classrooms. The deletion meant that all learning that had been uploaded was sadly lost. Whilst we really hope this won't happen to any of our other classes, we would recommend that parents save any particular pieces of learning the children are proud of if they would like to. Instructions on how to do this are attached to the newsletter.

Support for Children Attending Online Registration

A few parents have let us know that their child finds the online registration session a daunting experience. We understand this might be the case for lots of our children and that it's ok to be nervous – even the teachers feel a little nervous sometimes too! In conjunction with Miss McAree, one of our parents, we can share some top tips for your child to try to help them feel more comfortable and these are attached to our newsletter. A huge thank you to Miss McAree for her time in creating this poster which we hope will help everyone.



Parents may remember that we shared in a previous newsletter that Miss McAree is an author of several children's books which help children to feel 'power' over certain feelings or situations. Miss McAree has two further books available which parents may be interested in: 'The Power to Control My Worries' and 'The Power to Control My Anger'. Both are available via Amazon.



Surrey Campaign for Foster Carers

Surrey are in urgent need of more foster carers to support the most vulnerable children in our community. If this is something you, or someone you know, is interested in, you can email Cindy Foster at Cindyajmorris@gmail.com for more information. Cindy is holding information sessions on Tuesday 9th February at 7:45pm, Friday 26th March at 7:45pm and on Thursday 8th April at 3pm. You can also book a space at one of these events by emailing Cindy at the above address. To find out more about fostering you can visit www.surreycc.gov.uk/fostering



KS2 Reading Challenge

The children continued to read many books and for many hours this week, well done! Here are the totals so far:

	<u>Books Read</u>	<u>Hours of Reading</u>
3P	323	92
3W	210	88
4B	254	28
4L	85	23
5G	404	111
5N	412	102
6D	76	47
6R	102	142

Road Closure

We're aware there is a planned road closure affecting Squires Bridge Road from the 8th February for 8 weeks. Please take this into consideration when travelling to and from school.

Message from the Home Office

The Home Office would like to remind parents, families, young people and staff that if they are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, they and their family members may be eligible to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS). The application deadline, for those who were living in the UK by the end of the transition period at 23:00 GMT on 31st December 2020, is 30th June 2021.

Children and young people require their own immigration status and are not covered by a parent's application to the EUSS. An application must be made for every eligible child within a family. A parent or guardian can apply on behalf of a child and link it to their own application (if applicable), or they can apply in their own right. There's lots more information on this here on GOV.UK.

Applications to the EUSS are free and can be made online on GOV.UK. Information on what is needed to apply can also be found on GOV.UK. Successful applicants get either settled status or pre-settled status ensuring they can continue to live and work in the UK after 30 June 2021, whilst remaining eligible to access the benefits and services they could before the UK left the EU. For questions about applications, call 0300 123 7379 or +44 (0) 20 3080 0010 from outside the UK (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm and Saturday to Sunday, 9.30am to 4.30pm).

Attachments

Instructions for saving learning on google classroom
Tips for overcoming the fear of joining live sessions

With the high river levels and weather warnings in place, our thoughts are with all our families who might be affected by this and hope everyone stays safe.

With our best wishes to you all,

Mrs Davis & Miss Morris
Headteachers