



NEWSLETTER 27 – Friday 23rd April 2021

A quote to start with:

“Happiness is not by chance but by choice”

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term where we can see that things are slowly returning to some normality – whatever that is! We have been advised that it is highly likely we will still need to remain in bubbles for this academic year. However, the bigger bubbles are working well, and the children have settled back into routines within the day well.

This week we had our **virtual parents evening**. The overwhelming feedback has been positive and thank you to those who have shared your positive experiences from the meeting. I do know there were one or two hiccups. Teachers also found it a good system to use, meetings were focused, everything ran to time and it allowed for more than one parent to easily attend. We will evaluate if this is something we want to move forward with permanently. It's been a busy week in our **Collective worship and assembly** program – we have started to look at our new value for this term friendship but also this week have continued with the Easter story and the Road to Emmaus, talked about the Queen as she celebrated her 95th birthday and reflected on the Duke of Edinburgh, discussed Earth Day and today we have briefly looked at the patron saint of England – St George. The **diary of dates** is coming together – whilst we are trying to provide as much as possible in the summer term I think some of it will still look and feel different. This will be with you early next week. **Club information** went out on Tuesday and starts next week! All children have got into the clubs they requested except for rounders which was oversubscribed, and an email has been sent today to confirm this. Please can you ensure your child/ren have the correct **school uniform** and that it is worn smartly this includes shoes. Trainers are discouraged unless all black and look like a school shoe. PE Kits do need to be back in school please – if they could be in school Monday – Friday to allow for flexibility with PE sessions that would help enormously. Also, as we start to see the summer/warmer weather come upon us please may I remind you to **send your child in with a hat** and if you feel necessary sun cream. Please could I also remind you that all hair that can be tied up should be (boys and girls) – thank you for your support. Next week class teachers will send out **class letters and topic maps** for the term so you have a clear picture of what they will be learning. Along with the SCARF PSHE program we are also starting to deliver the **Keys to Happier living** program throughout the school which focuses on 10 keys and promotes wellbeing – a leaflet for parents and carers is attached. Finally, I would like to extend a warm welcome to Harry who has started in Reception class this week,

Take care, stay safe! Enjoy the weekend,

Mrs Smith, Headteacher

Diary Week beginning 26th April

All Clubs start

Mon **Wildcats** (girls' football) pm KS1
Tues **Wildcats** (girls' football) am KS2
Wed
Thurs **Class Photos**
Fri **Swimming** –Parrots/Kingfishers

NO NUT PRODUCTS IN SCHOOL -

Please could you ensure that no items that contain nuts are sent into school due to the fact we have children with serious nut allergies – this includes peanut butter, nuts as a snack and also some breads may contain nuts too.

Big Ask

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. **Parents, carers and those working with children** are invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back. The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve. Children in Years 1-6 will be completing this in school.

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Owls	Tristan SB, Mollie H and Hudson M for having a super start and settling in at school this week.
Puffins	Lola E for a positive attitude to learning new number skills this week – great addition. Millie S for working hard on her reading, developing new skills each day – well done.
Flamingos	Iris F for her determination to do her best in absolutely everything she does. Brooke W for her super ideas and questions in our letter writing work this week
Peacocks	Oliver D for trying his best and always being ready to learn and listen. Iris B for always being determined to achieve the best results she can and to challenge herself.
Woodpeckers	Isaac Q for working hard at spelling in his phonics group Haydn T for being a green dragon and trying so hard with his phonics and spelling Flo H for being a kind friend and looking out for others.
Parrots	Ted L for using lots of the features we have been learning in his diary writing. William J for working so hard in his assessment this week showing us what a super learner he is.
Toucans	Luke T for great knowledge about Earth Day Ryan M for a fantastic attitude to Maths – keen to take on challenges.
Hérons	Kourtney A for her growth mindset approach to her maths work on volume. Asking questions and listening and applying. Luke G for not giving up and showing determination in his decimal multiplication work on volume- willing to try something in a different way. Dylan M for applying things he has learnt out of school to his school work. Making links in Maths – volume and R.E – Islam. Ella D for sharing things she has learnt out of school to class discussions – R.E and Islam.
Kingfishers	Sophie R for really inspired diary writing this week Benny B for good focus all week and some detailed writing in English

Out of school Achievements – Shout and Well Done to:

Rafferty MK has passed swimming Discovery Ducklings level 2.
Isabella R for her beautiful piece of spring artwork she produced

**School attendance
figure for this week:
97.7%**

Parking- School are still receiving regular complaints about parking around the local housing areas. Please do be mindful of where you park, peoples drives and of blocking people in. The PCSO will be back out again visiting to look at this issue. We have also had reports of parents being abusive when residents have wanted to move their car. I know there have been reports the other way as well. We are just urging you to park respectfully please. Thank you.

Safeguarding reminder

At Christopher Rawlins Primary School we follow the safeguarding principles in accordance with 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (KCSIE) 2020.

If you have any concerns, please contact –
Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Smith
Deputy Leads: Mrs Gosling, Mrs Lushey, Mrs Ostler.

Letters:

School Club Offer
Outdoor learning FS
Adderbury Walk KS1
Class Photos

Emailed:

MHST April newsletter

Working Party – Outside Areas and donations Mrs Hawtin along with Mr Annesley have been into school to look at the possible work we can do to repair and further enhance our outdoor area including work to the Poly tunnel, nature reserve area and general beds. Mrs Ostler will be leading on this project as she also works to complete an outdoor learning qualification. If you feel you could join a working party to support this work (anything will be done in a socially distanced way) then please let the office know. Also, if you have anything you could donate to support or have any contacts then please do let us know too.

Online:

#WakeUpWednesday- This is an information page produced by National Online Safety each week about key reminders for parents relating to online safety. **This weeks theme: Snapchat**