

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a lovely first week of our summer term. Your children have come back rested and full of enthusiasm. It has been so lovely to see them all. We have had great excitement here, the chicks have hatched. Please ask your children about them, they are learning so much about life cycles in such a wonderfully hands on way. There are some lovely videos of the chicks on our Twitter feed @InfantsCHI.

Your children are generally so beautifully behaved, however young children do sometimes forget. We have had a few issues with children looking over toilet doors and not respecting the privacy of others. Please could you talk to your children about this and about the need to tell an adult if this is happening to them. I have spoken to them and informed them that I will call parents if they are caught doing this. Thank you for your support. This week we have been focusing on being responsible, this is supported by Kanga. Next week the focus will be on reasoning (good thinking and making the right choices) supported by Eeyore. Again, please ask your children about this, hopefully they will have lots to tell you!

#### **Parent Chats next week**

We hope by now you have all managed to book an appointment to meet with your class teacher(s) next week. This is an important meeting and we do expect all parents to attend. Please contact the School Office if you have not yet made an appointment. Please may I remind you that we are only able to invite one parent in to school, unless there are special circumstances. We are happy for parents to join virtually. Masks will be required and we will make sure the rooms are well ventilated. Please do not gather in groups outside classrooms and do not arrive too early for your appointment. If you do arrive early please use the horseshoe as a waiting area. We look forward to seeing you all.

#### **The Daily Mile event**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April we will be taking part in a National Daily mile event. Please could all children come in to school in PE kit please. For more information please follow this link <https://thedailymile.co.uk/>

#### **Summer term events**

The Summer term is usually such a busy one, full of exciting events, trips, swimming and extracurricular activities. We are hoping that your children will experience as much as possible. We will have a Sports Day, Summer Concert and Year 2 Leaver's Assembly. These events are usually well supported by parents, we will plan for these to go ahead but will need to await a decision on whether we can have large gatherings, thank you for your patience and understanding. We are hoping that swimming will start on 21<sup>st</sup> June. We always depend on lots of parent volunteers for swimming to happen. If you are able and willing to help please contact the School Office to arrange a DBS check, or to see if your existing DBS certificate is still valid.

After school clubs will also be gradually resuming. We are starting Drum Club for Year 2 on Monday 26 April with our Drum teacher Sean Quinn and hope to introduce a few more

clubs over the course of the term. We continue to adhere to government guidance on not mixing bubbles which makes the running of clubs logistically challenging. Any clubs that we do arrange we will inform you of and how to book.

#### **New lunch menu from next week**

We are pleased to introduce our new lunch menu from Monday. This is attached and you will see that there is a wider selection of choices, on a four week rotation. All of the children are now enjoying eating their lunches in the Hall. We will start the Week 1 menu on Monday. As always, you may send your child in with a packed lunch if you would prefer.

#### **Comic Relief/Red Nose Day**

Thank you so much for your very generous donations for Red Nose Day last month, you raised £487.99 which all go to very good causes.

#### **Printer cartridges for recycling**

You will find a bag to recycle any ink cartridges that you may have at home in your child's blue bag today, this will help raise funds for our school. There will be a collection point outside the front entrance of the school for these, thank you.

Warm regards

Janet Berry