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Dear Parents/Carers

A brief letter this week just to check in and say hello to you all. Following the Government announcement on Monday it has of course been a very busy week in school as we prepare for full re-opening on the 8th March 2021. The week has absolutely flown by and we are all very excited about our imminent return.

Our children have been very productive during this Lockdown and I am so impressed that they have maintained their enthusiasm for such a long period of time.

Just one more week and the school will again ring with the sound of children's laughter.

As outlined in my letter yesterday we will be returning in Class Bubbles and hopefully in Term 5 to be able to operate in Year Group Bubbles. This will of course depend on how things go when we return. We will continue to be extremely vigilant in school in the coming weeks and will be strictly adhering to our Covid 19 Risk Assessment.

We will be operating with a tight focus on minimising transmission by:

Social distancing to 2m (particularly for all adults and our older children)
Hand and respiratory hygiene (frequent washing of hands and use of alcohol based sanitiser & Catch it, bin it, kill it approach)
Self-isolation and testing for any child or member of staff demonstrating symptoms (includes households)
Enhanced cleaning
Staff using Facemasks in communal areas and corridors inside the building
Facemasks worn by all parents/carers coming onto site to drop off/collect children
All adults coming onto site to drop off/collect to social distance to 2m
Twice weekly testing of staff using Lateral Flow Tests

Next week which is our last week of Remote Provision we have World Book Day and I know the staff have planned a range of exciting activities for the children to participate in from home. The theme for this year is 'Share a Story' and I am looking forward to seeing some wonderful photos of children enjoying books and stories in my letter.

As always children are continuing to produce some fantastic learning both at home and if attending as Key Workers. I have a few examples to share with you again this week.

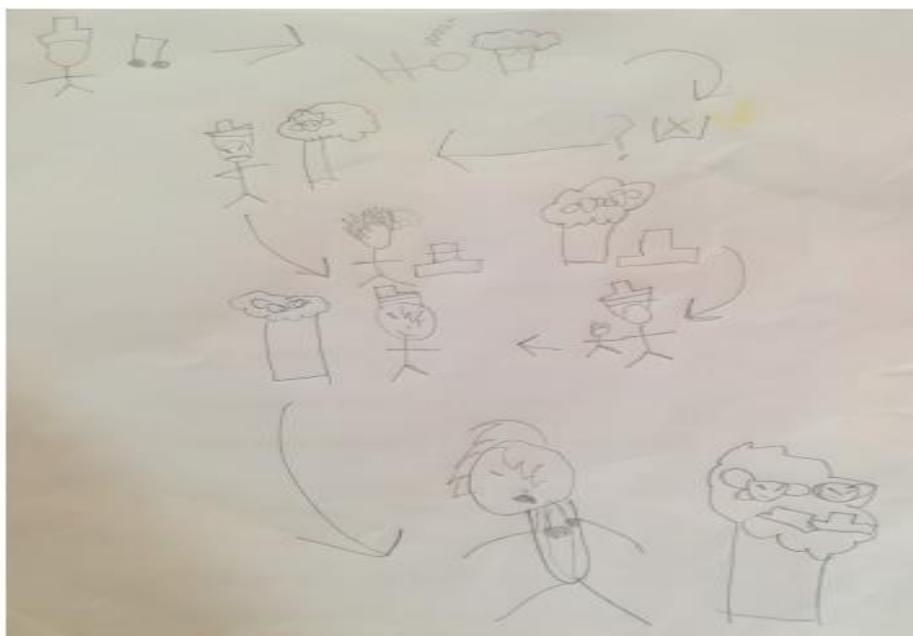


In Year One this week children have been looking at the story called Monkeys and Hats and I have a few messages from Mrs Brenchley and Mrs Summerton who are very proud of their class:

Dec created a superb story matrix. Mum said he thoroughly enjoyed the story and was able to tell her the main characters, where the story was set, the problem, the solution, the ending and what he learnt from the story. Well done Dec!



Nivan drew such a clear story map. We loved the detail in his pictures and could really tell which parts of the story he had drawn. Well done Nivan!



We also watched a video of **Jack** retelling us the story from his story map, despite the weather being so lovely outside. Well done Jack, that took some willpower!

A massive well done to Dec, Nivan and Jack!!!

From Miss Perkins in **Year 4**, I have two pieces of work to share with you and a special message for the whole class:

Miss Perkins is very impressed with the Sentence Stacking work in English from 4P this week. Well done 4P - this is wonderful to hear.

Here we have **Summer's** plot point 1 and **Noah's** plot point 2. Well done Summer and Noah!

The Rocketeer- Plot Point 1- Meeting the Boy- Positive

L C 1	Sentence Structure: As -ly, 	Describe the boy. Playful, likes planes, kind, energetic, friendly, gentle.		What is the boy doing (collect verbs)? Running, playing, using his imagination.		How is he doing this (collect adverbs)? Playfully, carefully, friendly, excitedly.	 <p style="text-align: center;">Writing_Side</p> <p>As the energetic, young boy ran around lost in his imagination playing with his plane carefully, he felt the gentle breeze blowing over his face. He was as happy as a newborn baby being cuddled after his bottle. The boy was elated. The boy was elated and playful. The boy was elated, playful and excited.</p>
L C 2	Simile 	Name an animal/person that is always happy. Puppy, budgie, baby.	What makes this animal/person happy? A puppy playing, a budgie flying, a baby snuggled with it's mummy after it's milk.				
L C 3	 	Repetition for effect- feeling How was the boy feeling? Positive, happy, excited, playful, elated.					
By Summer in 4P							

The Rocketeer- Plot Point 2- The Chase with the Villain - Negative

L C 1		Adverbs and adverbial phrases			 <p style="text-align: center;">Writing_Side</p> <p>Unbeknownst to the boy, a chaotic police chase was befalling next to the farm where the boy was playing. "Pull over the vehicle!" the police-officer barked crazily, waving his hand high in the air. As the cars passed, hot, sticky petrol fumes landed on the tarmac and interrupted the smell of freshly cut grass and beautiful flowers on the roadside.</p>
L C 2		Where is the chase? alongside the fields next to the farm where the boy is playing	Describe the police chase. chaotic dangerous	Synonyms for occurring, happening taking place arising befalling transpiring	
L C 3	 	Speech/dialogue What did the police say? Pull over the vehicle!			
L C 3	 	Expanded noun phrase- smell What could you smell on that road? Flowers: Fragrant, beautiful, sweet Grass: freshly wet grass Rubber: burning or melting tyres Tarmac: hot, sticky, petrol Dust: dusty			By Noah in 4P

Before I complete this week's letter as promised short letter I would just like to give a **Special Headteachers Mention** to Rosa in 5W:

Rosa in 5w has earned herself a green blue Peter badge. She applied at the beginning of December but only received her letter and badge this week.

Last Christmas she worked really hard to make her sister an advent calendar and customised it with photographs to include all her sisters' favourite cuddly toys. It was really thoughtful and personal. She worked so hard on it and made her sister so happy that Mum suggested that she send it off to Blue Peter. So she wrote a letter explaining how it was environmentally friendly because it was plastic free and they sent her a green badge.

This is so lovely to hear and we are all very proud of Rosa who has demonstrated the school values so well.



And it just remains for me to say thank you all for your continuing and very much appreciated support. My thoughts are with you all. Please take care and stay safe.

Missing you all and looking forward to the 8th March 2021

Yours sincerely

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