

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Hambley

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, another week done in the norm for education, Home Learning!! Well done to you all for all the hard work you are putting into the Home Learning whilst at the same time coping with working yourselves. It is a very strange time for us all and we are all adapting to this new way of working, very different to the first lockdown last March with much greater expectations by the Government of the provision and assessment being delivered by schools.



Thank you for the patience you have demonstrated whilst we resolve the issues around class planning being uploaded to the website and ease of accessibility for Parents/carers to the planning. Hopefully all the issues have now been rectified.

The **GREET AND CHAT** sessions for all classes have been well attended and from comments received they have been a positive experience for the pupils, I know that all staff have really enjoyed having contact with those pupils who are currently working at home.



A reminder of the **GREET AND CHAT SESSIONS** for the individual classes.

Hedgehog Class - Friday at 1.30pm

Rabbit Class - Friday at 10am

Badger Class - Wednesday at 11am

The live Zoom sessions have also been going well and from next week, all pupils will have access to such sessions.



With the Government announcement yesterday that the earliest schools may reopen is the 8th March we are sending out a survey to access your views on the provision we currently provide and if there are possible ways we could improve the provision we provide.

I would ask that when you respond to the survey you do remember that this is a new way of teaching for the staff as well, they are working exceptionally hard to provide the best provision possible at the same time as having all the worries and concerns about their families as you yourself are.

We are always grateful for constructive feedback and we will, if it is in the best interests of the pupils', try and accommodate any new suggestions that may be offered. As always, the health, safety, wellbeing and mental health of our pupils, staff and wider school community is our priority.



Thank you to all those Parents/carers who continue to send in work for Home Learning, please remember that the timetables are only a guide, there is lots of other learning taking place and we would love to see examples of this too. It is also fantastic to see how the same activities have been interpreted in so many different ways. Do as much as you are able to do but please do send in some examples of Home Learning. Staff are responding to work as soon as they are able to, offering ways to develop the learning the pupils have done.

I would like to make personal contact with all the pupils Home Learning before the end of term. I am proposing to do a Zoom **Greet and Chat** with **Badger Class** on **Monday 8th February** at **2.15pm** and **Hedgehog Class** on **Wednesday 10th February** at **2.15pm**. If anyone would prefer a personal zoom call with myself instead of participating in the class call, please email me and I will try my best to accommodate you.

Thank you for your continued support to the school and remember my door is always open, even if only virtually.

Mrs Hambley Mrs Hambley Headteacher