



# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

15<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

As I am sure you will have seen from this week's news, there have been many discussions about the re-opening of schools. There continues to be many meetings, discussions and documentation that is being published to ensure protective measures are put in place to reduce the risk of transmission as more children and staff come back to school.

I was planning to write to you with our initial plans regarding a phased return, but have made the decision to wait until the governments and local authority's guidance and discussions have been finalised. I realise that this may cause you to worry as you want to know our approach as a school as soon as possible, but we do not want to send out documentation until we have clarity.

I would like to thank those parents that I have spoken to for their honesty in their views on sending their child(ren) back to school. I really do feel fortunate to work with such a supportive community.

Mr Goodwin  
Headteacher

### New Routines:

As more children are now attending school, we are putting in place a one way system. From Monday, when arriving please enter the school via the main school entrance in Church Lane and use the footpath (not the car park). Children can then walk into their designated areas. Notices have been placed on the paths as a reminder. Please then leave via Orchard Way only. **Only one adult is permitted to attend school to drop off or collect children at any time.**

In addition to this, there will now be different drop off and collection points for pupils. For those children currently attending school they will be collected from different classrooms:

<b>EYFS and Year 1:</b>	EYFS entrance and exit door.
<b>Years 2, 3 and 4:</b>	From the steps of the Year 4 classroom.
<b>Years 5 and 6:</b>	KS2 entrance.

### Sussex School Games:

Last week, we climbed 30 places in the leader boards. I hope that we can continue this approach as we target a higher finish each week. Please remember to log your child(ren)'s score at:

<https://www.activesussex.org/virtual/>

On Monday, Mr Wilson will post the activities linked to next week's sport – gymnastics and fitness.

## May Half Term:

Over half term, the school will remain open to children of key workers and vulnerable pupils. To ensure that all members of staff have a weeks holiday, there will be a change to your child(ren)'s learning at home over the next two weeks. Please see below (Learning from Home) for further information on this.

Again, as with previous bank holidays, I will write to these families to assess if there is a need for the school to open.

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## Learning from Home:

To ensure that all members of staff receive their weeks holiday, there will be a change to home learning for all year groups.

For the week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> May, teachers in EYFS, Year 4 and Year 5 will be on holiday. To support continued learning at home, these teachers will post a grid of activities for your child to complete at home. This grid will follow the same format as the Easter grid. For the week of 25<sup>th</sup> May, these teachers will then revert back to their daily posts.

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Whilst teachers are on their weeks holiday, please contact myself or Mrs Bush if you have any questions regards your child(ren)'s learning.

This then means, that over the next two weeks, the foundation subject will be PSHE. The PSHE lessons will focus on children's feelings and then progress onto our special people and how relationships may be impacted during this time. The class teacher will provide resources to support with this but it will be an opportunity for you to have further scaffolded conversations with children which will help them to manage their feelings at this time. In addition to this, there will be a number of activities set on Busy Things. The link for this can be found at: <https://www.busythings.co.uk/>

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## Staying Safe Online:

It has been pleasing to see a large number of families engaging with the e-safety challenges that I have posted this week. Thank you to all of you that have sent in your thoughts and reflections following the activities. As usual, the pupils in school have also completed the challenges and deepened their understanding of staying safe on line.

As part of today's challenge, I posted two further links to deepen pupils' understanding of remaining safe when online.

Early Years and Key Stage 1: <https://www.childnet.com/resources/smartie-the-penguin>

Key Stage 2: [https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en\\_uk/interland](https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en_uk/interland)

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## 'True Colours' Video:

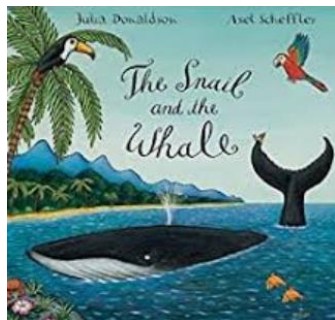
Thank you to everyone who sent in clips for the True Colours video. The final video will be shared with you in the coming days.

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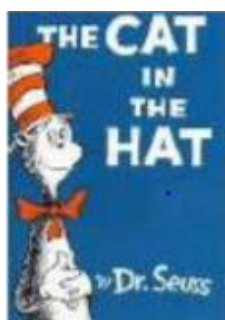
## Reading Recommendations:

This week, Mrs Robson read the final chapter of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. All teachers have enjoyed reading this book, which followed on from our World Book Day celebrations back in March. Over the next two weeks, teachers will be reading stories from the New Testament and the teachings of Jesus.

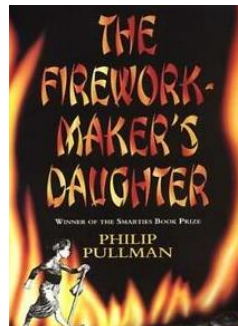
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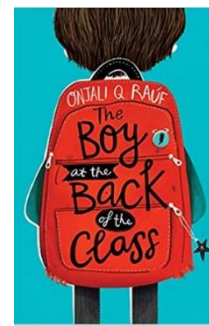
EYFS



KS1



Lower KS2



Upper KS2

Accompanying this newsletter is some information from West Sussex County Council Library Service which provides additional information on their services at this time.

## Red Book:



We are pleased to announce that the following children have been presented with a Red Book award for good work, effort, achievement and or demonstrating the half term's value:

**Joshua J (YR):** for working so hard on his 10 times table and being really confident at it.

**Aaron F (YR):** for achieving the best score during today's football challenge.

**Nathalie S (Y1):** for outstanding effort in her home school work and exploring a range of resources and props to create a puppet show of The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch.

**Elliott W (Y1):** for helping others in the community by creating hearts and rainbows and selling them to raise money for Cancer UK.

**Lauren B (Y2):** for aiming for excellence in her engagement of school set tasks this week.

**Xavier W (Y2):** for such a lovely video of him and his brother playing our maths game, and aiming for excellence in learning to tell the time.

**Ibraim Z (Y3):** for persevering with at school and for great team work during today's football challenge

**Aurelia W (Y3):** for such a positive mindset.

**Alice C (Y3):** for great team work during today's football challenge.

**Reggie M (Y4):** for being the first person in Year 4 to achieve 100 dojos for work completed at home.

**Georgia C (Y4):** for completing some super writing while working at home - she has spent time on it and is proud of the finished writing.

**Mailee J (Y5):** for good work at home with her home learning tasks.

**Holly A (Y5):** for a great attitude towards her learning in school.

**Honey S (Y6):** for producing high quality home learning and for being so supportive and patient when helping her brother.

**Isabel B (Y6):** for working hard at her home learning this week and seeking support to help her complete her work.