

# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## **Newsletter**

5<sup>th</sup> March 2021

## **Returning to School:**

Over the past weeks, I have spoken to many parents and carers who have begun talking to their children regards their return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. To support further discussions, in today's Collective Worship, we explored a social story and the importance of kindness through the fable 'The Lion and the Mouse'. When all pupils return to school it is important that we are all considerate to each other and each other's feelings.

A reminder that you can also visit the school's <u>website</u> and view the return to school video that we created for September.

## **Face Coverings:**

A polite reminder that we encourage all parents and carers that drop off and collect children to wear a face covering.



Earlier this week, you may have heard that Dr Susan Hopkins, the Chief Medical Adviser for NHS Test and Trace, advised that children in primary schools do not need to wear a face covering and they should not be asked to wear one.

## **Designated Areas:**

To support parents and carers in Key Stage 2 in socially distancing, the Key Stage 2 section of playground will be separated by barriers at the end of the day. These areas will be marked by signs as you arrive.

### **Playground Equipment:**

When collecting your child(ren) please ensure that they do not go onto the playground equipment and that they stay close to you. Each piece is allocated to a separate year group to reduce the rates of transmission.

#### **Parent Teacher Consultations:**

We will be holding Parent Teacher Consultations between Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Arrangements will be the same as the Autumn term, with sessions taking place via a telephone call with your child's class teacher. A letter will be sent home on Monday confirming dates and session times, together with instructions on how to book your session. As before, all sessions will need to be booked via ParentMail.

#### Whole School Text:

As part of pupils return to school, they will be engaging in activities linked to the text 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse,' which was our whole school shared text during the first week of this half term. Through using the text, pupils will explore key themes including kindness and friendship as well as explore the way in which we respond to separate situations. To support these discussions at home, you can view the text on whole school feed on Class Dojo.



## **World Book Day:**

Over the past week, it has been lovely to see a number of children engaging in the different activities. Next week, I will announce the winners of the Favourite Character Potato competition as well as reveal the masked readers from this week. Below are some of the wonderful potato characters received so far!









#### **Sussex Games:**

Congratulations to all children who engaged in the West Sussex Virtual Games. We achieved 29<sup>th</sup> place out of 231 schools – thank you to every child who participated in the events. Over the coming weeks, we will receive a breakdown of participation within our own locality.

## **Numbots:**



The children who earnt the most amount of coins in their year groups this week are:

EYFS: Teddy E Year 1: Antonia T Year 2: Jack K

Each of these children will receive a certificate for their achievement. Well done to all children who are logging on and completing the challenges.

#### **Letters Sent Home This Week:**

Please find below a summary of letters sent home this week:

Date	То	Details
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception	Feedback from live class session
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1	Feedback from live class session
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2	Feedback from live class session

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#### **Red Book:**

We are pleased to announce that the following children have been recognised for good work, effort, achievement and or demonstrating this half term's value of **ENDURANCE** in action:



Pippa C (EY), Teddy E (YR), Kacper S (Y1), Broly G (Y1), Jacob P (Y2), Tilly S (Y2), Lauren B (Y3), Leo H (Y3), Honey W (Y4), Alex C-L (Y4), Amber B (Y5), Sandy M (Y5), Chloe W (Y6), Iqra A (Y6)

Please watch today's Collective Worship on Class Dojo for more information about why each child has been selected for the Red Book this week.