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Please check out our class pages on the school website for Heron, Kestrel and Buzzard news.

## TERM 1 – 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear All.

I am delighted to be able to welcome EVERYONE back into school this term – it does seem like a long time ago we were all together and we have all missed being together. Our new 'normal' with our class bubbles is working well and the children have adapted to this with such maturity.

I would like to extend an extra special welcome to all our new children, they have taken to being in (full time) school like ducks to water, well done everyone.

We started our outdoor learning sessions this week – feedback from the children/staff has been very positive. A coat and wellies in school would be really useful – bad weather isn't going to stop us being in the great outdoors, but we do need to be suitably dressed!

As always, if there is anything you need us from please call us on 01278 684151 (there is a message facility if we can't answer) or drop us a line at <a href="mailto:info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk">info@ppsa.theplt.org.uk</a>

Thank you for your continued support, in this newsletter there are some good tips on helping your child wind down after school – good advice for us all! Enjoy your weekend.

Emma Barker

#### **FSM**

We all know that circumstances can change, especially in the last few months – if yours have, or you just want to check if you are eligible for your child to receive free school meals, please go to:

https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/free-school-meals/

#### **HOUSEKEEPING**

Whilst we are still in this COVID-19 situation, can I please remind everyone to adhere to social distancing rules when dropping off and collecting their children from school.

We hope you all have noticed our new zebra crossing and markings in the car park – please be mindful of cars at the beginning and end of the day and keep to the walk way where possible.

Thank you all very much for your cooperation and understanding.

#### **STAFFING SEPTEMBER 2020**

If you need a reminder of who is who and which classes we teach when, please turn over. We are very excited about the continued progress our school is making and we are very excited about the future. We would like to say a big welcome to two new members of staff this year Mrs Moffatt (KS2 SEND Support) and Mrs Hughes (Lunchtime Play Leader). Both of which are already making such a positive impact on the broad and balanced education of children in our school.

#### **SCHOOL BOOKS**

Just a reminder that all school books that were sent home at the start of the COVID lockdown need to be returned to school as soon as possible. Without these being returned we have a very limited number of books we can send home in book bags. Thank you.

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### 2020-2021 Term dates

Term 1: Wednesday 2nd September 2020 to Thursday 15th October 2020

Term 2: Monday 2nd November 2020 to

Friday 18th December 2020

Term 3: Monday 4th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

Term 4: Monday 22nd February 2021 to Friday 1st April 2021

Term 5: Monday 19th April 2021 to Friday 28th

May 2021

Term 6: Monday 7th June 2021 to Friday 16th

July 2021

# **After School Tips**

Many children will come out of school exhausted Many will need time to process their day

Here are a few ways to ensure your child can DECOMPRESS from their day and avoid blowouts

- Do avoid demands straight away i.e. get changed/unpack your bag can wait
  - ◆ Do avoid asking them all about their day immediately

    ◆ Do give them a snack
    - Do give them space & time
- ♦ Do provide a consistent & predictable after school routine
  ♦ Do try and go straight home
- ◆ Do prepare them for any changes to the norm e.g. nanny is collecting
  - Do allow time on a preferred activity straight away

When we get in from an exhausting day we just want to chill & be left undisturbed. The same goes for our little people. Trust that your child will talk and come to you in their own time.

Jodie Smitten 2020 🧳

Year Group	Teacher	Support
Heron Class	Ruth Baltzer (Mon-Fri)	Michelle Thomas /
EYFS/Year 1		Linzi Blyth
Kestrel Class	Annabel Semken (Mon-Fri)	Linzi Blyth
Years 2 & 3	Fiona Robinson	
	(Trainee Teacher)	
Buzzard Class	Emma Barker (Principal)	Sally Jeffries
Years 4, 5, & 6	(Mon & Fri)	
	Jody Elms (Tues, Wed, Thurs)	
Well Being Champion		
All ages	Michelle Thomas /	
	Linzi Blyth	
KS2 SEND support	Lorraine Moffatt	
Lunchtime Play Leaders	Michelle Thomas	
	Linzi Blyth	
	Sharon Hughes	
	Sally Jeffries	