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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
1 Peter 4:10*

Friday 12th June 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Re: School Reopening Updates and News

Having welcomed our Year 6 pupils back to school this week, together with the children of key workers, we are now excited to open the doors for our Year 1 pupils on Monday 15th June. We only have spaces for 8 Year 1 pupils and the class is now full so please don't attend school if you haven't reserved a space.

Don't forget the following items:

- Put on sun cream before coming to school
- Soap and emollient for hands if child suffering from sore hands due to frequency of washing
- Flexible uniform as they require clean clothes every day
- Robust, outdoor shoes (trainers are acceptable)
- Packed lunch and water bottle
- Sun hat
- Your child should not attend a child minding service. In order to minimise contact between groups of children and staff, children should attend just one setting wherever possible.

Reception class children will join us on Monday 22nd June. If you haven't informed us of your decision to send your child to school, please ensure that you do this without delay as we have limited space. Our first priority is for the children of key workers and vulnerable children.

We are not forgetting our children who will remain at home. Despite some of our teachers being in the classroom this week, they have continued to provide home learning work for their classes. Now that the government have made it clear that all primary aged children will not be able to return to school before the end of the summer term, I feel it is important that we reach out to them as much as we can. We would like to begin by arranging for your child to speak to their class teacher via telephone conversation or with 4 or 5 other children in an online Google Meet. Please complete the survey at this link so that we can begin to make the necessary arrangements for this to happen:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IOM_8mowLU-YDq7UATSAsatwzDFJGq9LgqFa5IPbAd5UQ0kwVEJZS0FOWUM4MjJHMUFYRUY4SE1GNS4u

September:

In September, our Special Educational Needs Leader – Mrs Ketley – will be teaching Pine Class at our Federation partner school: Morley Primary. She will be sharing this role with our Deputy Head Teacher, Mrs Easter. Mrs Ketley will teach Pine Class for three days per week and she will be focusing on her SEND work on the other two days. She will spend at least one day per week at Tacolneston. As well as teaching Robins Class, Mrs Cooper will be sharing the role of Senior Teacher at Tacolneston with Mrs Diaper and will become part of the Federation Senior Leadership Team.

Memorial garden

Mrs Livermore would like any donations of bedding plants to revamp the memorial garden's raised flowerbeds and pots. Any donations of plants, compost or large planters would be welcomed. Please contact sparrowhawks@tacolneston.norfolk.sch.uk if you have any donations and we will organise a safe time for these to be dropped off.

Home Learning:

Norfolk Library Service:

The Library Service will be running their usual summer reading challenge but everything will be done online. Go to this link to find out more: [June 2020 Resource Newsletter \(click link\)](#)

School Summer Reading Challenge:

Please encourage your child to take part in the school Summer Reading Challenge, which can be found on their class page on the website and in the Google Classroom.

Sounds of Summer:

The Norfolk Music Hub are running a music project in collaboration with Holt Hall. Children are invited to make a short film of their music making in the natural environment. Go to this link to find out more: <https://www.norfolkmusicub.org.uk/site/sounds-of-summer>

Safeguarding and Wellbeing:

Black Lives Matter

I am very proud to say that one of our children, Mia in Y2 at Tacolneston, attended the peaceful Black Lives Matter protest in Norwich on Sunday 7th June. She made a banner and composed her own words: ***Friends always matter. It does not matter what colour skin we have.*** We all have work to do to ensure that Mia's message is heard and understood.



The Little Princess Trust charity

Olivia P has donated her hair to The Little Princess Trust charity. They make wigs from real donated hair for people who have cancer. This is what Olivia told us: *I have been waiting for ages to do it then my mum finally decided she would do it because the hair dressers still aren't open. The minimum to donate is 17cm and we got 24cm! I was going to share it on stream but wasn't sure if that was allowed because it isn't school work but I was proud of it and happy for anyone to share my pictures.*



Just One Norfolk:

For children with additional needs a new online service has gone live this week, developed by our health colleagues to support families waiting for specialist assessments. The Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) online course helps families to understand the messages their child is trying to communicate and offers some practical skills and strategies that can be used to help manage behaviours that challenge.

The PBS video sessions, normally available through face to face workshops for families of children awaiting assessments by specialist teams, have been produced during the Covid-19 outbreak to offer support to all families.

Parents can access any or all six video sessions at times convenient to them at <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/pbs>.

Celebration Friday

Our children have completed some wonderful work this week. The teachers have nominated the following children for special mention:

- Miss Grant says: These children are our stars this week: *Aran, Jay and Ellen-Jayne for their positivity and embracing the activities on their return to school this week, Kiki for being creative with making presents for her mum's birthday, Betty and Benson for really embracing the work about different countries and cooking some fantastic food, Mollie for writing an amazing poem called 'Back to school in a bubble', Archie J for being so creative with his own restaurant, Rosie and William Ho for their use of technology to create amazing garden designs, Jake, Emily, Pippa and Romey for their fantastic artwork in the style of Paul Cezanne, Harry for his scientific investigations. Well done everybody. We are so impressed with the work that you are sending in. Keep up the hard work and keep being creative.*
- Mrs Cheese and Mrs Ketley say: *These children are our Stars this week: Oscar - who has been extremely busy making a viking ship, looking after tadpoles and froglets and working very hard on lots of data collection! Freya E - who has created some fabulously beautiful calm bottles at home, Freya H - for working so hard with her maths and for helping her younger sister with her work too!*
- Miss Diaper says: *I am so impressed with the level of work that is still going on and being posted in the Kingfisher's Google classroom. I think everyone deserves an award for perseverance- parents and children! Super work and photos this week from; Tristan, Lexie, James, Zachary, Charlie, Finley, Toby, Phoebe, Indie*
- Mrs Livermore says: *These children are our Stars this week: Lucy's art, Ben's science, Izzy's poetry, Morgan's dancing and finally Charlotte, Pixie, Olivia P and Seren for their stop motion animations.*

Values Certificates

- **Jake- Generosity and Service:** For working so hard to put weekly quizzes together for people to join in with and at the same time raising an excellent amount of money for charity.
- **Rosie – Perseverance:** For working so hard on so many different activities, especially your maths.
- **Mia - Respect, Justice and Friendship:** Creating an amazing poster to raise awareness at the Black Lives Matter peaceful protest in Norwich.
- **Leo - Respect and Service:** Helping the environment by creating a poster about protecting and rainforest and planting some wild flowers.
- **Scarlett R - Perseverance:** Working so hard on Numbots to collect 3358 coins by answering 500 questions correctly!
- **Finley- Perseverance:** For making a fantastic Numberblocks family!
- **Lexie –Perseverance:** For lots of super reading practise!
- **Zachary- Perseverance and Koinonia:** For doing lots of fantastic minibeast work with this sister.
- **Emily – Perseverance:** For showing great resilience in bouncing back to work this week.
- **All of Year 6 – Koinonia:** For attitudes to school reopening - resilience from those that were unable to join us this week and camaraderie for those that returned.



Some of our children have celebrated their birthdays this week. I'd like to say a big

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

ISLA, LUCAS, SCARLETT R & NOAH!

And finally:

Our School Prayer:

Heavenly Father,

Remind us to use our gifts, to serve one another, as good stewards of your varied grace.

Amen

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'L Green'.

Laura Green
Executive Head Teacher