



Dear Parents and carers

I am sure you are aware that at the beginning of the week the government announced the phased return of children into school. Over the week we have been watching carefully as advice and guidance has been published by the Department for Education. Some of this has been contradictory so that our original plans have changed a number of times. We are hopeful that the final proposal will be circulated to you at the beginning of next week.

Throughout all our discussions the priority has been the safety of the children, parents and staff. School will be different when the children return. To allow for the 2m rule we can only fit a maximum of 10 in each classroom, adults and groups of children will not be able to mix with other groups and resources in the classroom will be limited so that the children have individual sets for their own use. Cleaning will be a priority of both hands and the resources in the classroom and around school. Next week I am meeting with James Evans from the Acorn Exec team to finalise our Risk Assessments and ensure we have thought of everything.

In the meanwhile enjoy the sunshine which is promised this weekend.

Priority IT

Priority IT (located on Westbury Trading Estate, Hawke Ridge Business Park) are asking for donations of old or unwanted laptops that they can refurbish and return to Westbury schools to support with home learning. If you cannot get them directly to their base in Westbury then please bring any donations into school for us to pass on. Thank you.

Books

We still have a number of books in school that need a new home. Please pop in and help yourselves.

Fundraising event—message from Grant Savides below

On Monday 18 March 2020 I'll be running 100 miles in 7 days to help raise money for the schools of Westbury. My son is a pupil in year 6 at Dilton Marsh and I am a member of Westbury Cricket Club. Both my son and fellow club members will be helping me to spread the word and try reach the target we have set. The fundraising money will be donated and split equally between 5 local schools and although it's nothing in comparison to the key work you do for our kids, this is the least we can do to support the very schools in our community that are nurturing and educating our kids during this difficult time the country is experiencing. If any teachers or pupils wish to get on board please let me or one of the members on our just giving page know and we will be able to give you more information.

The just giving page is

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/runningto100?utm_term=YJdAgAZNW

Headteacher's Awards - well done all!



Nominated by Miss Driscoll for work this week from Beech Class:

- * Harrison has written brilliant stories this week from the story starter I gave the class, called 'The Discovery' and 'Thank You'. He also made a sundial for Science and was able to use it to tell the time.
- * Thomas – for completing so much amazing home learning, plus some extra independent learning of his own choice for French and Geography.
- * Mia J – for sharing a very busy week's worth of work including an excellent VE day PowerPoint presentation.

Nominated by Miss Tout:

- * Rhys from Willow class for his amazing video learning the scientific names of the bones in the human skeleton.

Nominated by Mr Foyle for children in Oak Class:

- * Luke for routinely getting up at 7am each morning to complete his work before going back to bed!
- * Monte and Riley for their brilliant speeches addressing the nation about Coronavirus.

Nominated by Mrs Broad for excellent craft work in Ash Class:

- * Isabelle's globe.
- * Carys' lovely origami creations.



Nominated by Mr Bullen:

- * Theo, Liberty (Oak Class) and Brinley (Willow Class) for some amazing lego creations.

Nominated by Mrs Lazar

- * James for an amazing space project.

