



December 2020

PLEASE NOTE: There has been a change to the date of our May Half Term PD Day

This will now take place on **Friday 28th May** (not 7th June, as stated in our November Newsletter.) The children will therefore break up for half term on Thursday, 27th May, and return on Monday 7th June.

Parking

We have been asked by residents to remind all parents parking near school to do so safely and with consideration for others. PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE VERGES NEAR SCHOOL.

Key Dates



Further dates and information will follow as we continue through the year but please find below an outline of key diary dates.

- Week beginning 30th November – Year 2 phonics check
- 18th Dec – Break up for Christmas
- 4th Jan – Return to school
- 12th Feb – Break up for Half Term
- 22nd Feb – Return to school
- 26th March – Break up for Easter
- 12th Apr – Return to school
- 27th May – Break up for Half term
- 28th May – PD Day
- 7th June – Return to school
- 9th July – PD Day
- 16th July – Break up for Summer

Class Dojo



A huge WELL DONE to all families who engaged with our remote learning programme during the recent class bubble closures in Y2, Y3 and Y6. We have received very positive feedback on use of Class Dojo as a vehicle over which to conduct remote learning. As a consequence of this, we are now planning to expand its use to enable ALL children who are self-isolating to access a sequenced curriculum that relates to what the children in school are currently learning.

If you have not yet downloaded the Class Dojo app, we would encourage you to do so as soon as possible to enable you to access this learning.

Please note that all materials and tasks will be uploaded to your child's profile. You will not be able to view this on your parent account until the work has been submitted to the teacher and approved. It is therefore vital that children are able to access their own accounts. Child log in details have been sent home by class teachers. Please ensure that your child can access this from home. If you have any problems, please contact the School Office for support.

A REMINDER THAT STAFF WILL NOT BE MONITORING MESSAGES ON CLASS DOJO UNLESS THE CLASS BUBBLE CLOSSES. IF PARENTS WISH TO CONTACT CLASS TEACHERS, PLEASE CONTINUE TO DO SO BY PHONING THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR BY SENDING AN EMAIL TO OUR SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS: ckcaptaincook@mcschools.org.uk

Christmas Parties



Despite this being a Christmas season like no other, we are still hoping to have our Christmas parties for the children, subject to Covid guidelines and our risk assessment. Since we are unable to have our annual Key stage 2 Christmas Quiz, all year groups will be having parties this year. Please see below for dates:

- 14th December – Nursery/Year 3**
- 15th December – Reception/Year 4**
- 16th December – Year 1/Year 5**
- 17th December Year 2/Year 6**

Main Entrance Safety



Please could adults waiting at the main entrance to school for KS2 children to come out ensure that younger children who have already been collected remain with them at all times.

This is to ensure that all children are kept safe from cars driving in and out of the car park, and that classes still working are not distracted by children playing outside their window.



Covid Reminder



A reminder that if someone in your household has covid symptoms, the whole household must self-isolate for 14 days unless the person has a negative test. Please ensure that you contact school at the earliest opportunity to keep us informed.