



WELCOME BACK, WE HOPE YOU ALL HAD A LOVELY BREAK.

NURSERY NEWS

Happy New Year! The theme this term is 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and show and tell will be linked to this theme.

This week we welcome Darcie, Ellia, Molly and Atlas. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Crawford who have donated pots and pans for our new outdoor mud kitchen. Please remember to send your child in with their own water bottle, and they need a warm waterproof coat and hat. They can bring gloves but no scarves please.

COVID-19 GUIDANCE

We continue to follow advice received from the Department for Education and to update our health and safety procedures in accordance with this guidance.

UNIFORM PRICE RISE

The cost of uniform is going up from Monday 17th January, any uniform ordered before that date will be charged at the existing price. Don't forget we have a supply of pre-loved uniform available at 50p per item.

WEATHER APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Please send your child to school in weather appropriate clothing, remember that we are still having to keep classes well ventilated so doors and windows are open. Children can wear extra layers in addition to their uniform, including their PE hoodie if they choose. Children need a **warm**, waterproof coat, and can wear a hat and gloves but no scarves please.

The children have settled back into school and ready to learn this week. We look forward to a positive term, being able to celebrate the children's achievements.

STAFFING NEWS

As with many schools we currently have significant staff absences. We continue to provide a safe and secure learning environment for your child, and offer a broad and balanced curriculum. Please can we ask for your continued patience and understanding and treat our staff with the respect and privacy they are due.

It is not usual practice to inform parents when staff are absent and we are disappointed that we have had to this week because of rumours being spread by some parents. Having our integrity questioned and being accused of lying has caused considerable distress to staff who are dismayed and upset by the lack of trust by some parents. Our thanks to all the parents who have shown their support and kindness this week.

Mrs Milne has left the school and we wish her well in her new employment. Miss Aisbitt will be working in Loveny Class and Miss Richardson and Mrs Harvey will be helping to support all classes.

SAFEGUARDING

Up to date safeguarding information for parents, including advice about bullying, self-harm and online safety, can be found by following this link:

https://ciossafeguarding.org.uk/scp/p/parents-and-carers/how-can-i-help-keep-my-child-safe?utm_source=How+can+I+keep+my+child+safe.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK

Please keep your child with you when waiting in the school car park. We have had instances this week of children running in front of the taxi and staff cars. This is for your child's safety as well as that of the drivers.

DATES FOR THIS TERM

2nd February	Skateboarding Day-all children-letter home next week
18th February	INSET-school closed for staff training
21st-25th February	Half Term
3rd March	World Book Day-more information to follow
18th March	Red Nose Day-more information to follow
5th April 1.30pm	Easter Concert in St Neot Church-subject to current covid-19 restrictions
8th April	Last day of Spring Term
25th April	First day of Summer Term

