



## Graveley Primary School Newsletter No. 3 Summer Term II 2020

Dear All,

I hope you are well and still managing to juggle the home learning this week. I completely empathise with the struggle that many of you are facing and the lack of motivation that may be increasing in your households. We hope that the chance the children are having to talk to an adult in school each week will help.

You may have seen that the guidance given to schools this week is, if there is space, you may invite back to school children within Years 2, 3, 4 and 5. Unfortunately, all of our classrooms are full and we are currently unable to offer spaces to any other children.

I hope that all families have now been able to log onto Google Classroom, this will soon replace the emails that the teachers have been sending out and instead all resources will be accessible from there. Miss Potter has been experimenting with some of its functions this week and will be inviting all members of her class to a virtual meet next week with those children currently attending school, as well as those studying at home. Class 4, watch out for the invite.

We are still awaiting Government guidelines on exactly what provision will look like in September but are busy planning optimistically to have all children back as we very much hope that scientific data and government directives will allow us to welcome back all our children. This would definitely be a preference for us at Graveley as whilst it is lovely having our current children in school, we do miss having our vibrant, happy, full school community on a daily basis.

As I mentioned last week, we would like to overhaul our library and classroom reading material. Many of our books are now old and out of date. One of our parents in Class 1 has kindly begun to compile a wish-list for us and teachers and support staff have been adding to it throughout the week. As we have not been able to fundraise over the past few months and our biggest event of the year, the Summer Fete, cannot happen, we hope that you could possibly help us to be able to revamp the books that are on offer to our children. Any book purchased off the list will feature a 'donated by ...' sticker inside the front cover. We do appreciate that there are many books on the list and I am sure that the staff will continue to add more on as they research more, but once we get started we do get carried away as there are so many good books out there! Thank you in advance for your support.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/cSsrA5i?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/cSsrA5i?ref=wl_share)

Today should have been our annual Sports Day and picnic. Sadly, we are unable to enjoy this event this year, however we have signed up to National School Sport at Home Week, in conjunction with the Youth Sport Trust and Sky Sports. This takes place next week and should you like to get involved, more information can be found at <https://www.youthsporttrust.org/national-school-sport-week-home> or you might like to try some of the suggested activities attached to the newsletter. Please do share any photos with us, to use in next week's Celebration Assembly. A copy of the flyer has been attached to this Parentmail.

Our latest Celebration Assembly has been added to our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQfDi6YPZUuWdokG1AJ7vYA> You have a real treat as the Year 6 children performed the Nepali national anthem to share with our link school in Kathmandu. Please remember to send in photos or videos to share by Thursday lunchtime to be included in the weekly assembly.

Have a good weekend.

Kind regards,

*Nicky Hand* (Headteacher)

