

Newsletter

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It has been a joy to have all of the children back in the building over the last 2 weeks. The team and I have missed them all so much and we feel like the school has it's energy back again. We feel so proud of the children for the way they have

handled the return to school and the resilience they have shown. We're looking forward now to a fun summer term and (hopefully) the journey out of the covid control measures and back to normal.



Reminder—Arriving at school

As you know children should not be on site before 8.45am

<u>however</u>, parents are dropping children off from 8.30am (*mostly our KS2 children*) and they are therefore left unsupervised on the playground which puts them in an unsafe situation.

Please support us to safeguard the children and ensure that your child is not onsite during this time.

We would **<u>really</u>** appreciate your support with this.

Thank you for taking part in our (lockdown) World Book Day celebrations, in particular in our Book Potato competition, we certainly have a school full of very creative people which made the choice VERY difficult!

The winners are; Imogen (Red), Jack (Orange), Delilah (Yellow), Mason (Green), Amalia (Blue), Morgan (Indigo), Alfie (Violet). The winner of the 'Most Extreme Reading' challenge was Flynn (Yellow). Well done everyone!

Each child received a certificate and £10 Amazon voucher!



Red Class Back together again!



What a fantastic topic first couple of weeks back we have all had together.

Red Class have been busy getting stuck into our new topic, 'Welcome Spring'.

We predicted what signs of spring we might see, before going on a beautiful walk to our school woodland area, where

we found lots of signs of new life growing from daffodils and bird nests to pussy willow buds and baby pine

We can represent numbers 10,11,12 and 13 using counters.

We have spent lots of time talking about what we love at school and our special memories from lockdown to help us settle back into class.







The children have been so confident returning to school, and showing us their fantastic writing! Some of them even won a Head Teachers Award! Keep shining bright Red Class. Where does our food come from?

We have been thinking about this in our class farm shop, we even have our own class cow that we can milk!











Oh what fun we have had back in school!

Here is what Orange Class say about being back at school:

"I love school because I get to see my friends" "I get to laugh with my friends" I get to see Fred Frog in phonics" "I get to do P.E in the hall"

"I can have my packed lunch"

We are really enjoying our 'Big Maths' sessions.



We have had lots of stories to support us with our emotional wellbeing on our return to school. We have talked lots about our emotions, worries and people who we can talk to if we need to. The children talked about their lockdown experiences, sharing the things they found tricky and the things they quite enjoyed.

"The best bit of lockdown was not having to share my birthday cake!"





Yellow Class have settled back into life at school wonderfully. We have be doing

various PSHE games and activities to

support their continued transition. We have also given every child the opportunity to share their favourite story from home, with their friends in class. The children have also been **YELLOW**

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Jo been

showing off their

gymnastic skills in PE! We are so























Green Class have had a wonderful first few weeks back in school. We have loved taking part in the fun Rainbow Pathway PSHE activities, such as building marshmallow and spaghetti towers, team games and art sessions that have helped us to explore how we are feeling. We have shared and discussed with useful strategies to support us with our feelings. We enjoyed sharing our lockdown experiences and we have focused on mutual respect and understanding within the classroom and in our everyday lives. We are really enjoying our dance sessions and we are very happy to be back in the classroom with our friends.

Blue Class

Since returning last week, the children of Blue Class have settled so well. They have shown a positive and resilient approach, as well as great enthusiasm to 'get on' with their learning now that they're back. When asked, the overwhelming response from the class was that they were very glad to be back seeing their friends! We have been using the 'Rainbow Pathway' activities to reconnect with our friends, rebuild our class team, explore our emotions and

Parachute Cames

I like being back at school, because home school was the worst!



I love being back at school, because at home I was bored on my own. Towers

Calm Place Pictures

Using natural resources to represent PeoPle special to us

I like being in a routine and I liked doing the marshmallow towers. I've enjoyed getting tricky work, so I can learn more things.

A massive thank you, once again, to all of the families of Blue Class. You have been so brilliant throughout, patient with us getting to grips with new technology (!?) and have given so much time and effort to support your children with their home learning. Big respect—that was no small task on top of jobs, helping other siblings and just life in general. Thank you!

Welcome Back, Incigo Class!





Indigo Class have had a great couple of weeks back in school. They are all so pleased to be back amongst their friends and in the classroom learning altogether again. In the last couple of weeks they have been reconnecting with each other in a range of team building activities including building 'marshmallow towers' and creating really imaginative group presentations which they shared with the rest of class. They have been reflecting on their lockdown experiences and have talked openly and honestly about how this has affected them. They have shown a huge amount of resilience and are working really hard each and every day.

It's wonderful to have you all back together again!

"I am enjoying being back at school and seeing everyone because I can work with others in small groups. I liked working on a group presentation last week." - Connor

> "I am happy coming back to school so I can see my friends" -Morgan

"I like being back and seeing people in real life, not just on a screen!" -Cameron















Since returning to school, Violet Class have enjoyed settling back into our school routine! We have been talking about feelings using our bear cards and enjoying the lessons within our Rainbow recovery scheme. We have talked about the people close to us, our experiences of lockdown and enjoyed building a tower using only marshmallow and spaghetti! We have been working in groups and pairs, learning to be competitive but have fun through card games (as well as testing our quick addition and memory by playing the pyramid and pairs games!) We have also enjoyed being back in the classroom challenging ourselves in our Maths, Writing, Reading Comprehension and much more!





Diary Dates

Thursday 1st April: Last day of term (Normal 3pm/3.15pm staggered finishing time)

Friday 2nd April—Friday 16th April (inclusive) Easter Holiday

Monday 19th April Summer term begins

Monday 31st to Friday 4th June (inclusive) Half term Holiday

Please note that <u>Monday 7th June</u> will <u>no longer</u> be an INSET day (the Inset day has now been moved to the end of the summer term meaning we break up on Tuesday 20th July)