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Awakening Curiosity Creating Success

VIEWLEY HILL NEWSLETTER: 11th June 2021

Welcome to the start of the final half term of this year.

Whilst this year has brought us many challenges, it has also shown us the commitment, resilience and determination our children have, and I know this will continue this half term.

The children have had a lovely week, and the weather has certainly helped! It has been a pleasure to see the children enjoying learning and play both inside and outside and I am looking forward to seeing their continued progress over the half term.

We will as usual send emails and Marvellous Me messages, as well as use our facebook page for regular information and updates about what is happening in school.

As always, if you have any feedback, questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Barkley

VIEWLEY HILL EXPECTATIONS

I am very proud of the high expectations we have at Viewley Hill. These support our children in having positive attitudes to learning, positive relationships and feeling a sense of community as part of our school.

There are some key elements to this which we need to work together to achieve.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is very important. Being in school every day on time allows your child the best opportunity for academic achievement and progress, as well as promoting social confidence and positive relationships. <u>Where possible please ensure your child is</u> in school on time everyday.



Every week we are rewarding the classes with the best attendance with an extra playtime as well as celebrating all classes who achieve over 95% .

Thank you for your support with this important school priority.

UNIFORM & FOOTWEAR

Please may I remind you of our current uniform policy:

Trousers / Shorts / Skirts : Black / dark grey

T-shirt: White polo shirt

Jumper: / Cardigan: Red

Dresses: Red / White check summer school dresses

Shoes: Black shoes or trainers

Children are not to wear coloured sandals or trainers for school.

I have been asked about uniform for next year and this will be shared in a separate letter next week.

READING

Reading is a very important life skill and a high priority at Viewley Hill.

From next week we ask that children bring their book bags on **Tuesdays and Thursday**.

This is to allow you 5 nights with the book at home and 2 days to re-organise books in school.

Please try and read at least 3 times with your child at home.



ONLINE SAFETY

We all recognise that online media platforms are very much part of many children's lives outside of school. In school we dedicate time to ensuring that we teach children about how to stay safe online and what to do if they are unsure or have any worries.

Whilst as a school we are not responsible for incidents that happen and online access outside of school, we will support positive online safety as much as possible.

I encourage all parents to regularly check any devices, including phones, that children may use for their own safety.



Advice for parents:

• Please ensure you have parental controls and privacy settings on devices to block adult access.

• Most media platform have a legal age of 13. Please ensure that sites and apps your child uses are age appropriate.

Regularly review your child's viewing / posts

We will email more detailed advice in the coming week but if you would like any support, or have concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

COVID RESTRICTIONS & MEASURES

Covid measures are still in place and it is very important that we all follow our protective measures in order to keep our community as safe as possible. Here are a few reminders.

Please can parents / carers wear a face mask whilst on school site. We also ask that only one person per family collects children to avoid unnecessary congregation and contact. Thank you.

ISOLATING

If you/ your child has been in contact with someone who has tested positive you must isolate.

Please inform school and we will provide work for your child during this time.

SYMPTOMS

Here is a reminder of the main Covid symptoms.

If you / your child displays these symptoms you must get a test and isolate until the result.

Thank you.



TERM DATES 2021-2022

There is 1 PD Day to be allocated, which will be done so throughout next year.

1st Half Term	2nd Half Term	PD DAYS
Monday 6th September—	Monday 1st November—	Friday 3rd September
Friday 22nd October 2021	Tuesday 21st December 2021	Wednesday 22nd December
Thursday 6th January —	Monday 28th February —	Friday 8th April
Friday 18th February 2022	Thursday 7th April 2022	
Monday 25th April— Friday	Monday 6th June - Friday	Monday 25th July
27th May 2022	22nd July 2022	
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