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VIEWLEY HILL NEWSLETTER: 27th May 2021

It has been a very busy half term and the children have engaged in a range of learning and wider curriculum activities. The last 7 weeks have allowed us to really focus on the children's next steps in learning following the lockdown earlier this year, and I know I speak for all staff when I say we are incredibly proud of the children's resilience, determination, independence and progress.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued commitment to Viewley Hill. It is very important to me that we are community that works together for our children and so your support and honesty is invaluable to our development and success.

As always, do not hesitate to contact the school should you wish to give any feedback, or you have any queries or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Barkley

HALF TERM

A reminder that the children finish tomorrow for half term.

We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 7th June**.

The school year will end on **Friday 16th July**.

TERM DATES 2021-2022

Next year's term dates are on the back of this newsletter.

They will also be put on the school website this week and will be sent out via email for your information too.

OUTDOOR LEARNING DAY

Last week we held our Outdoor Learning Day. This was a chance for the children to enjoy time in our forest school environment, take part in activities outside and understand the importance fresh air and the natural environment plays in promoting positive mental health.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their time outside—particularly toasting and eating marshmallows whilst listening to their favourite stories! Thank you to Mrs Dowson for organising such a brilliant day.



Visit our facebook page for many more photos of our outdoor learning day...as well as lots of other photos that show what we've been up to in school!



BIKES AND SCOOTERS

We love that the children are enjoying riding bikes and scooters to school as this is a way to keep fit and healthy.

The children are getting much better and walking with them on school grounds and so thank you for your support with this.

The pathway outside school is very busy at the start and end of the day and so please can you ensure if your child is on a bike or scooter that they ride carefully and slowly, for the safety of themselves and the community. Thank you.

NSPCC MATHS DAY!

I am delighted to share that we raised £180 for the NSPCC Number Day.

This is a fabulous amount which I know the NSPCC will be very grateful for.

Thank you to Mrs Lockey for organising the event – we all had a brilliant day with numbers!



SPORTS DAYS

Many parents have asked if we will be holding a sports day at the end of term.

We will hold a sporting event for the children at the end of the year. Covid rates, measures and restrictions closer to the time will determine if parents will be able to attend and I will update as soon as I am confident about what we can do.

If it is not possible for parents to be in school, we will look for ways to share the events with you.

COVID RESTRICTIONS AND REMINDERS

Whilst we are now in a national pathway out of Covid restrictions, we are still remaining incredibly vigilant at school. Daily cleaning in classrooms takes place between sessions and the children take part in regular handwashing. Children remain within their class bubbles and staff continue to work only within their class.

To support the pastoral, social and emotional well being and development of our children, they will be allowed to play outside as a school phase after half term.

Please remember that if your child displays symptoms you should keep them off school and have them tested. They should also stay at home and isolate if they have come into contact with someone who is being tested, or has tested positive for Covid 19.

If you have any questions related to Covid 19, and actions you need to take, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

TERM DATES 2021-2022

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

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

We wish you all a lovely and safe half term holiday and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 7th June.

Take care and stay safe everyone!