

Coombe Bissett Primary Newsletter 10 (start of Term 4)



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to Term 4! We hope you all had a wonderful and peaceful half-term.

It has been so lovely to see all of the children this week. We have further enhanced our home learning provision to include 'hello' ZOOM sessions with Mr Basinger-Adams to prepare the children for their return by beginning to rebuild their social contacts, their sense of class community, and their understanding of learning in a class again.

We are absolutely overjoyed and thrilled to be able to welcome back every child on March 8th. Please see the letter issued this week regarding the 'Pathway' for return, and the full 'Pathway' Plan – these are available on the school website. The focus of the first 2 weeks will be to help the children settle in to their class learning environments and systems, to rebuild their social skills and friendships and to support their wellbeing. We cannot wait to welcome back all the children as we have missed them so much!

VALUE FOR LIFE

This term our Value for Life is BRAVERY and the children will be thinking about:

- Do the right thing
- Be bold, be strong, act courageous
- Let justice roll on like an ever flowing river
- Act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly
- Notice a need...and come to the rescue

Collective worships on YouTube have been sent out each week, emailed to all parents. These will continue for the rest of the term to enable parents to continue to support their children's spiritual journey.

We do hope you are enjoying the daily use of the LENT 'Day by Day' booklets we issued to all children.

TEDDY BEARS

Today, every child (and every member of staff) has been issued a teddy bear along with a 'journal', sent with love from the parents, staff, governors village community. We do hope your child will love them. If you want to send in a picture of your child with their teddy bear that you would be happy for the school to put on the website then please email these to community@coombebissett.wilts.sch.uk. If you would prefer this picture not to go on the website but are happy for the picture to be shared with the class, please email it to the class teacher / google classroom / Tapestry. A huge thank you to Mrs Macaulay (our fabulous PSHE leader) and Mrs Webster from the 100 Club for organising this and to the 100 Club for purchasing these.

FUN PE CHALLENGES

Just a reminder of the PH Sports PE lessons and 'Lockdown Olympics' for home learners and the Wiltshire and Swindon Sports 'fitness' challenge this term. Copy and paste these into your browser.

http://phsports.co.uk/lockdown-olympics/

https://www.wiltssport.org/get-informed/news/2999-fitness-challenges

WORLD BOOK DAY

Just a reminder about World Book Day on Thursday 4th March. To ensure a 'class community' can continue to be forged and because of restrictions placed by bubbles, we have decided that each class will organize their own approach to celebrating World Book day. Please see the communication from your class teacher. We would love to see the pictures of your celebrations. If you would be happy for these to go on the website please email to community@coombebissett.wilts.sch.uk

Further home activities can be found at https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/scholastic-live-world-book-day

COVID SYMPTOMS & SCHOOL MANAGEMENT

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection?utm_source=26%20February%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Please see the web link above for the Government Guidance.

Parents and Carers must not send their children to school with any symptoms of illness, however mild, including fever, diarrhea, nausea, sore throat, cough, loss of smell/taste, rashes etc. The school reserves the right to refuse entry to any student where there are legitimate concerns regarding the health of a student. It will be the parent's responsibility to collect the child within a 30-minute period where the child becomes unwell or appears unwell.

We regularly use scanner thermometers to check children's temperatures, especially in the younger years who are not as easily able to express their discomfort. Government guidance is that a temperature of 37.8 should be regarded as a symptom. If your child displays this temperature using our scanner thermometers we will contact you to collect them and follow the guidance:

- Self-isolate for 10 days
- Book a PCR if the result is negative then your child can return

RED NOSE DAY

The school will be taking part in Red Nose day on Friday 18th March.

Again, as part of our commitment to rebuilding class relationships and because of the restrictions of class bubbles, we have decided that each class will determine how this will be celebrated and how donations for this wonderful charity will be organized.

Please look out for the messages from your class teacher as to what will be needed.

STAFFING NEWS

We are delighted to announce that Miss Gibb, our regular supply cover teacher this year, has secured her first full—time teaching position. We are thrilled for her and know that she will make a real difference at her new school, just as she has done here. Her last day with Coombe Bissett will be Friday 5th March and we wish her all the very best.

TERM 4 – CLUBS / PARENT EVENTS

For the remainder of Term 4 the following events have been cancelled due to the current Covid restrictions:

- All after school clubs (except Late club)
- Parent Forums
- Stay and Make / Stay and Play sessions for parents in class
- Celebration of Learning sessions for parents in class

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Hot school lunches will resume from Monday 8th March and the menu will be the same as before Christmas therefore your child/children's meal choices will continue as per their last menu choice form. If you would like a copy of your child's choices, especially if they do not have a school meal every day, please contact the School Office. We anticipate the menu will change after Easter.