

Stottesdon C. of E.

Primary School



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Diary Dates			
Monday 1st March	PE Teme & Severn Class — Children in these classes to come in their PE kits		
Tuesday 2nd March	d March PE Rea & Corve Class — Children in these classes to come in their PE kits		
Wednesday 3rd March	PE Rea Class — Children in this class to come in their PE kits		
Thursday 4th March	rsday 4th March PE Severn Class — Children in this class to come in their PE kits		
Friday 5th March PE Teme & Corve Class — Children in these classes to come in their PE kits			

Schools to welcome back all pupils from 8th March

We will be welcoming all pupils back on the 8th March. Arrangements will be very similar to the Autumn Term with measures in place to minimise transmission as much as possible (hand washing; respiratory hygiene ('catch it, bin, it, kill it'); social distancing—especially adults; increased ventilation; increased cleaning; more careful sharing of resources; maintaining 4 bubbles (Severn; Corve; Rea; EYFS) with their own outdoor space and toilet facilities). Additions or amendments to our systems are as follows:



- Adults are asked to wear face coverings if social distancing (2 metres) cannot be maintained. PLEASE DO NOT CONGRAGATE ON PLAYGROUND/GATE. THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT as we would like to fully open and <u>stay fully open</u>. Transmission between adults seems to be much higher than in primary aged children. As a result, we are asking that parents prioritise maintaining social distance and making sure children stay with them at the

beginning and end of the day. As parents drop off NURSERY CHILDREN, we now ask adults to wear a mask. It is important we liaise at the door but the physical arrangements don't support a 2 metre distance. If other adults would like to wear a mask on site you are most welcome.



- Staggered starts and finishes as follows:

In order to reduce any congestion/transmission please could we aim for the following:

Age Group	Arrive	Depart
Nursery pupils AND ANY SIBLINGS IN THE REST OF THE SCHOOL	9am	3pm
Corve (using top playground gate by car park) Teme (using bottom playground gate)	8.55am	3.05pm
Severn (using top playground gate by car park) Rea (using bottom playground gate)	8.45am	3.15pm
If you have children in both of the last two rows please aim for	8.50am	3.10pm



- A 'take away' style school lunch will be back up and running. Please look later in the school news for details of booking this.

- We hope to resume after school clubs and music lessons after Easter. Please confirm with the office or Mrs Leverett-Williams if you would like to take up this offer.



How long do you need to self-isolate for?

10 days If you have symptoms or a positive test

If someone in your household has symptoms

k your test now by calling 119 visit www.nhs/coronavirus

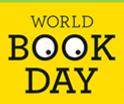
10 days

10 days If you arrive back in the UK from abroad*



- Children continuing with home learning next week is still very important as we are trying to keep children in a similar place to support a transition back. Arrangements for the drop off of this week's work and collections of next week's work continue as before (from 3.15pm)

- As children return on the 8th they should bring back all home learning and reading records (as we will be rewarding regular reading as usual). However, on a daily basis, children should bring as little as possible to and from home (coat, book bag, lunch box, water bottle).



- As children return, we will be prioritising their physical and mental well being, social engagement and addressing any educational gaps in a planned way. The latter will happen over time and we look forward to updating you on this during the Summer Term (more information to follow)

- World Book Day: We have decided to celebrate this on the 8th with everyone together....please see later in the School News

IF ANYONE IN A HOUSEHOLD <u>OR SUPPORT BUBBLE</u> DEVELOPS SYMPTOMS, CHILDREN OR STAFF SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL UNTIL A TEST RESULT CONFIRMS ACTIONS. HOUSEHOLDS, SUPPORT BUBBLES AND CLOSE CONTACTS SHOULD ISOLATE IF THERE IS A POSITIVE TEST. CLOSE CONTACTS ARE:

- Within 1 metre for 1 minute or longer
- Within 2 metres for more than 15 minutes (as one off or over a day)
- People who travel in the same vehicle

Wrap Around Service

Our wrap around service will continue to be open and accommodate as many bookings as we can as all pupils return to school from the 8th March. However, we are still required to run under measures to manage and reduce virus transmission. This means wrap around will continue to run in the hall (with the quadrants) to maintain the class bubbles used during the day. We are able to accommodate 20 pupils (dependent on age of pupils, space and staffing). We know many parents are anxious to get bookings back in place and know whether their requirements can be accommodated. As a result, arrangements are as follows:

- Current regular bookings/pattern will be assumed to continue (and charged for) unless we are notified otherwise.
- All bookings/amendments need to go to Mrs Meredith by email (admin@stottesdonschool.co.uk) ASAP. A deadline of midday on the 2nd March is advised as we will be informing parents of whether we are able to accommodate bookings/amendments on Thursday and Friday. Please do not expect Nursery and wrap around staff to discuss bookings as this is centrally co-ordinated in the office. Staff's priority is the provision for children and as a result they are not expected to keep up to date with the booking picture.
- Bookings need to include:
 - Pattern of days required;
 - Before/or after school provision (if it is before please, be clear whether this is an 8am or 7.30am start);
 - Start date of booking;

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<u>Bookings will be considered on a first come, first serve basis with priority given to long term</u> <u>bookings which start from the 8th March</u>

• Although we have always aimed to be flexible, I'm afraid we cannot guarantee having capacity for adhoc places or future bookings (e.g. after Easter and beyond). As with most childcare settings, this means parents may need to book and pay for a place from the 8th March if they feel they need to guarantee provision. Our cancellation policy (attached) remains:

'To be prepared to give one months' notice period, in writing, if you wish to cease any/all of your child's/children's regular sessions at Nursery and / or Wrap Around Care. To pay fees even if your child/ren does not attend the session they are booked in for, due to holiday, sickness, school clubs or adverse weather conditions.'

• Mrs Meredith will aim to respond to all email bookings on Thursday or Friday of next week to confirm bookings or raise any capacity issues.



World Book Day

As you may be aware, it is World Book Day on Thursday 4th March, however, we have decided to celebrate the day on <u>Monday 8th March</u> when all the children are back in school.

We would like children to bring in a book that they have enjoyed reading to share with their class.

As it is the first day back, we won't be dressing up but instead children are going to decorate a potato as a character from a book! All children

will engage in this on the afternoon of the first day to support a fun return, social and emotional well being and re-connecting with friends in a relaxed way. Children are asked to consider their design ready for the first day: be as inventive as you like and bring your plan in with you for. The potato does not have to be a character. It can be an object or scene or setting from a book, please challenge yourself.

Children SHOULD NOT BRING IN ANYTHING OTHER THAN THEIR DESIGN.

We will provide:

- * A potato!!
- Pipe Cleaners
- Wiggly eyes
- * Felt
- * Paint
- * Fabric
- * Card
- * Foil

Junk Modelling materials (boxes, egg boxes, bottle tops etc)



Our £1

books

line-up

for 202:

Free School Meals (FSM)

Parents/Carers who believe their child may be eligible for free school meals should make an application online through the Shropshire Council Website. This not only benefits parents by funding of a school lunch but it also, currently, gives access to the voucher scheme (£15 per child per week). Parents registered for FSM also brings extra income into the school to support children. The process is confidential.

https://shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/

The Council is now using a new system for free school meals applications that can provide an initial assessment of your eligibility automatically.

School Lunches

We are pleased to advise that from 8th March 2021 we will be offering children a 'hot meal menu' in a 'take away' style, please see attached and below. This is an interim measure which we hope to extend in the near future.

- Orders will need to be placed on the Squid payment system. If your child is in Reception / Y1 or Y2 they will qualify for the UFSM (Universal Free School Meal) however, lunches to be provided for Nursery children and Y3/Y4/Y5 & Y6 will be chargeable. The charge will be £2.30 per lunch.
- If you do not place an order on Squid for a lunch, we will assume that you will provide a packed lunch for your child.
- We cannot guarantee a lunch will be provided if you have not ordered it on the Squid system. It is therefore essential that orders are placed on the Squid system.
- Please order for the week—this enables the kitchens to plan supplies.
- We would be grateful if you would order asap so that we can gather an idea of what the uptake will be.





Road Closures

As emailed earlier in the week, please be aware of the following road works:

The Hamlet - Brooksmeeting - 25th February - 9th March (starting 3 days late).

Marlbrook Bridge – Deuxhill – 25th February – 19th March (main road to Bridgnorth)

Station Road, Stottesdon – bottom of Moonhouse Bank – 1st–19th March

Covert Lane, Chelmarsh - 15th March - 31st March.

The main diversion route is via Highley to Bridgnorth and Kinlet to Stottesdon – these are on the Parish Council website. The Harcourt road is still full of potholes so not advisable to travel.



Nursery News

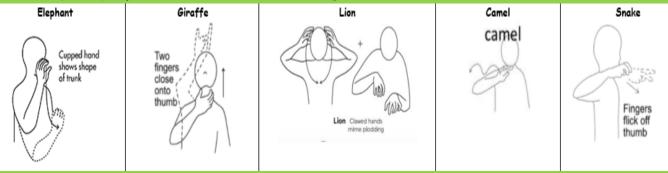
This week the nursery children have started learning about animals that live in a Zoo



Lincoln's Zoo

Talk for Writing Story: Dear Zoo

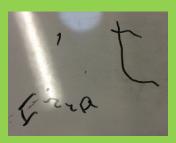
Click here <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A9Jr4jO0P9cto</u> watch Justin from CBeebies reading our focus story. Can you join in with the animal Makaton signs?



Rhyme of the Week: 7 Days of the Week <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LIQsyHoLudQ</u> The children have enjoyed learning the days of the week through this song this week.

Letter Sound of the Week:

Some of the children have also started experimenting with their mark making to write the letter sound of the week





Have you visited the Hungry Little Minds campaign website?

We understand that due to the coronavirus outbreak, you and your children are spending more time at home and you might be looking for a bit more inspiration for things to do. The website has lots of fun, exciting and easy to set up ideas for 0-5yrs old. <u>https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/</u>

Well done this week to:

<u>Isabelle B</u> and <u>Harry M</u> for their 'Roll a Dice' Story. <u>Lucas</u> for his determination and fantastic progress with his handwriting and pencil control. <u>Esme</u> for working independently to continue a rhyming string. <u>Spencer</u> for his focus and contribution to our science experiment.

<u>Hugo</u> and <u>Elliot</u> for their independent stories that they have chosen to write in their home learning.

<u>Archie T</u> for his excellent answering of musical questions for Mrs Williams.

Maxwell for his science work about herbivores, omnivores and carnivores.

<u>Florence</u> for her racquet skills in tennis.

Jenson Strong for his online reading.

<u>Bella</u> *C* for her confidence in her phonics.

Ruby B for her ordering numbers work.

Nate, Evan and Ronnie for their thoughtful reflections when completing their wellbeing exercises.

Zach, Nils and Noah W. for their excellent poetry performance videos.

Eliza, Charlie and Rhys for their excellent poetry writing.

Ruby S. for using her scientific knowledge to make detailed predictions in science.

Ana for her effort in her writing this week.

Hattie for her amazing sentence work.

<u>Mia H</u>, <u>William G</u>., <u>Charlie B</u> and <u>Holly G</u> for their clear posters that communicate the meaning of the parable of the rich fool.

<u>Nate, Evan, Eliza, Nils, Seren, Zach, Marnie, Charlie, Noah W., Ronnie</u> and <u>Heidi</u> for being wonderful, responsible role models, when the power went out during their Teams meeting and they carried on the meeting as if Miss Robinson was still there.

Lottie C for her great effort in creating a Christian order of wedding service

Jacob S for his determination and application in RE lessons

<u>Billy</u>, <u>Paige</u>, <u>Lottie G</u> and <u>Samuel</u> for writing excellent persuasive letters to Boris Johnson and the Education Secretary.

Louisa for expressive and fluent reading in class.

Jess J for writing an excellent warning tale in English.

Bronze Spelling Bee: <u>Ronnie</u>, <u>Tabitha</u> Silver Spelling Bee: <u>Lorelei</u>

....and finally a lovely picture of Grace and Hugo enjoying their half term fun packs. We hope you enjoyed them. Please note they are for you to keep (you don't need to send them back to school!)

