



**Together We LEARN (Learning, Enjoyment, Achievement, Respect, No Negativity)**

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER– 15th January 2021

### Snowy Owls Update

Thank you to Reception for all their hard work this week. It would be brilliant to see some of your work uploaded onto SeeSaw. I hope you've all had loads of fun in the snow!

Mrs Bowman

Please remember, if you have more than one child on SeeSaw, you will need to log out one child, in order to see any work set for the other.

Well done everybody for a fantastic week of home learning. Our Year 1's have been working hard in phonics and Fred (the frog) has told me how impressed he is with all their work! Our Year 2's have produced some fantastic writing this week, they have used adjectives to describe the robot from our film. Keep up the great work everyone!

Miss Lowde

### Kestrels Update

We've been story writing this week using music videos as a stimulus. We've also been sharing stories about our topic, the human circulatory system. In maths we have been working on addition and subtraction, using the column method. On top of this we also found time to enjoy some fun games on zoom including a scavenger hunt.

Mrs Bennett

### Red Kites Update

This week in Red Kites the children have written some fantastic persuasive letters to Boris Johnson, about the use of palm oil. In maths we have been multiplying and dividing and are preparing for the next Sumdog challenge. Having won last time we need to work hard to retain our No1 position! The frames that our Key Worker children made in Forest Schools were absolutely outstanding!

Mrs Foy

### Good Work Certificates go to...

Samuel, Seb G and Will, Ethan and Isla

### ATTENDANCE

	Snowy Owls	Kestrels	Red Kites
Week			
Year			

Each week we publish the attendance from September for each class. Our aspirational target for each class is 97%. **Congratulations to Red Kites for 100% attendance this week**

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

DATE	EVENT

### Stars of the Week

#### Grace H

For her positive attitude in everything that she does.

#### Rosie

For always attending Zoom on time and being polite and respectful.

#### Lola

For her positive attitude and participation.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you have all had a good week – even with more snow!

Our teachers are now all up and running with online learning and the children are coping extremely well with it. We are very proud of them and it just shows how resilient and independent they are. However, we all know learning from home is difficult. Try to make sure that the children have a quiet, organised space, free from distractions, to learning in. A dedicated corner of their bedroom or kitchen table perhaps. This will help them concentrate and focus better.

Having a timetable to complete the learning for that day will help too. That way tasks don't build up and become overwhelming - for you all! This will ease stress levels all round.

Another important tip for learning at home is to have regular breaks - make sure you all eat, and drink plenty of water throughout the day. Keeping hydrated is important for brain power. (Mozart is great music to listen to when you need that extra brain power – there is lots on YouTube – google it!)

If you are having any issues or just need to chat, there is always someone in school you can contact. Just give a call or send an email.

On another note, school has been made aware of a gaming app called Cunch-Line Chronicles which is based on County Lines (County Lines refers to drug dealing and criminal activity that takes place across county lines and can involve Y6 children in some areas). Oursaferschools.co.uk is concerned about 'the glorification or nominalisation of gang culture and criminal activity and feels it has adult themes not suitable for children.' The other app is Dragon City. Here the children can build a city populated with dragons. This is popular with younger children but it is intended for users over 14 years. However, this app has a chat feature which is unlocked as users progress and the children are encouraged to share personal information to gain gems – this information may be shared with third parties.

The site always recommends that you:

- Talk to your children about keeping safe on line and who they would talk to if someone made them feel uncomfortable.
- Check that they understand what to do if they see something online that upsets them or worries them,
- Ensure your children only play games with people online that they [and you] know.

This site has resources to help you with this. Please take time to look at it.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Lisa