



Words from the Woods!

Friday 3rd April 2020

Upcoming Events

(New/changed)

TBC

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Dear parents and carers,

What the unprecedented situation we are all in at this moment. I pray that we all continue to stay safe and are kind to each other.

As a mum, I appreciate how challenging it is to be confined to your home! All the staff at Cadmore have commented on how well you have responded to our emails and are encouraging your children to complete work that has been set. I have to say I'd rather have a class of 30 children than teach my child any day!! Hopefully this terrible virus will soon be beaten and we can all return to normality.

Communication

Thank you for all your positive comments regarding communication. Your feedback is important to us.

After the Easter holidays, your child's class teacher will send you a class letter which will ask how you and your child would like to communicate, whether this is using videoconferencing, phone or email. Teachers would like to support you in making sure your child continues to learn at home. During these weekly communications, teachers will use results from Mathletics and our new online programme Purple Mash to inform next steps. We would also like your child to share the progress they are making in completing the SPAG and Comprehension books, SATS books (years 6 and 2 only), also what they have been reading and to share anything else that they have been up to.

I will continue with my Friday Special Mention Assembly (so keep those photos coming in!) and I hope Rev Owen will continue his much-loved weekly collective worship.

On the school website, we are in the process in creating additional pages that offer support. 'Mental Health and Wellbeing' 'Online Safety' and 'Latest information on the Coronavirus' are just a few of the topics that we are in the process of creating and will be up and running by the end of next week.

Teachers and support staff have updated class pages and are sharing photos. If you have a photo for your class page or our new PE and Forest School pages, please send to your class teacher, Mrs Hazell or Mrs Caine. **Please make sure you add that you give permission that they can go on the school website.**

Web based Learning

We are aware that not all our families have access to the internet, especially our larger families. Therefore, we strongly recommend that your child continues to work



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through their SPAG and Comprehension books. I am waiting for the answers to arrive and as soon as they do, I will email them to you and make them available on the class pages.

Weekly Athletics will be set, and new activities will be set on Purple Mash. Login details will be issued along with a link to a video on how to access and use Purple Mash.

Some of you have rented school reading books. If you would like a new batch, please place them in a named plastic bag in the box outside the front door on Monday 20th April by 12pm. The entry code to the gate is 2012 (this will be changed when we return)! I will swap them and place back in the box for you to collect after 10am on Tuesday 21st April.

If you haven't borrowed and would like to, please email the office and we will set this up for you.

Staffing update

Mrs Woolfson and Mrs Talbot will be taking some personal time from teaching therefore both will be leaving us at Easter. Mrs Woolfson has been with Cadmore End for many years and will be sorely missed by us all. I am pleased to announce that Miss Butler will take over as class teacher for the rest of the academic term. Mrs Talbot has only been with us for a short time but not only has she brought Science alive in Class 4 but enabled Mrs Whaymen – Bailey to continue the excellent provision and opportunities that we provide that makes us unique.

Of course, the children have not had a chance to say goodbye, so I do hope that once this unprecedented situation is over, Mrs Talbot and Mrs Woolfson will come and visit.

I do hope you can make the most of the Easter break. Please stay safe and please keep in touch.

Best wishes,
Mrs D Groom
Headteacher