

Laying Foundations for Life-long Learning! Ridgewell C of E Primary School Newsletter



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CHILDREN READY TO LEARN *Super Start to New School Year!*

We are all so pleased and proud of the children and the way they have returned to school after such a long absence. It feels as though they have never been away.

In the classrooms, it is clear to see that our children have returned to their work with enthusiasm and are determined to do well. Thank you once again for your support in making the return to school as smooth as possible.

Our new children in Earth Class are doing remarkably well, especially after missing their induction in the summer term and they are busy exploring the school and their new classroom. I was really impressed with the effort that went into making this 'vehicle' below. The children organized themselves and could be seen climbing, playing and 'visiting lots of places to find treasure.'



If you do have any queries or concerns, please come to speak to us. It may be difficult for us to be able to invite you into classrooms at the moment, but we will always find a way to get back to you.

Mrs Stuart

Water Bottles

Thank you for ensuring that your child has a filled water bottle to bring to school each day. It is really helping us to make sure the children are drinking enough despite the fountain being closed at the moment. Please be mindful that we are a Healthy School and recommend that only water is put into the bottles.



Lego Pieces from Collective Worship - Unity

This term we are thinking about rebuilding our school community in our Collective Worship.

You may have noticed that your child brought home a purple Lego brick with the word 'Unity' attached to it. A brick was given to each child at the end of the assembly last week to help the children remember the message behind the story that was told. (Nehemiah)

You may see other bricks appear in the coming weeks with different words attached. Please let me know if your child is able to tell you the message behind the word.



Being a Scientist

Curriculum Refresh

We are always reviewing the way subjects are taught at school and just before lock-down, we were beginning to put together a new way of approaching our Curriculum.

One of the benefits of being a small school is the way that children of different ages can work together (when we aren't Socially distancing in bubbles). To make the most of this opportunity, we have re-aligned our topics so that the whole school can focus on a specific skill and support one-another to really understand what it might be like, 'To be a Scientist... Detective... Historian...etc.'

There are 3 different areas planned over the coming terms this year. 'Being a Scientist' is our first whole school focus and you might have noticed that the termly overviews that have been sent home during the week have all been set out under this title.

If you know of any local links or specialists in the field of our curriculum focus, please do get in touch.



Diary Dates

We will send out provisional dates for your diary next week although due to Corona-virus, plans may change. We aim to keep you as up-to-date as possible over the coming months. School photographs have been booked as usual and will be taken on the 12th October. We will follow the guidance given to ensure this happens as socially-distanced as possible.