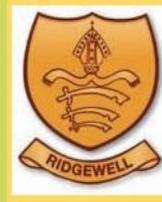


# Laying Foundations for Life-long Learning!

## Ridgewell C of E Primary School Newsletter



24<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## September Updates

The children are busy practicing their parts for our Harvest Festival this year. Unlike other years when the children have taken part in the church service, this year Harvest will be recorded in parts and kindly compiled into a service by Mrs Lowe. We will send details to you once it has been released so you watch it as many times as you like!

We have decided to hold three socially-distanced afternoons for prospective parents looking for a Reception place in 2021 and will send out an advert for this. These will feel very different to last year's open morning, as they will take place in an empty school with a limited number of adults. We will still share all of the great things about our school to help build a picture of our day-to-day. Please pass this on to any families that you think might be interested.

### COVID Reminder

Whilst we know that this is the season for colds and flu, please bear in mind that we have to be mindful of the Corona-virus this year.

If you or your child has anyone of the symptoms (high temperature, new continuous cough, loss of, or change in sense of smell or taste) please follow the guidance and self-isolate whilst you await a test.

If you do experience any of the above symptoms along with others, e.g. a runny nose with a high temperature, please still follow the guidance and self-isolate due to the high temperature.

We thank you again for your support. *Kirsty Stuart*

### **Website:**

We are adding to our new website as things evolve and change in school and we aim to keep it up-to-date so you are able to refer to it if you have any queries.

At the bottom, we have added links to our new Facebook and Twitter pages.

Thank you so much to 'Redman Hardy Plants' for the kind donation of beautiful plants and compost to the school gardening club. The children really enjoyed planting the plants and choosing what should be put and where. We will really enjoy them for the many months to come.



## Seesaw Codes

### *Being Prepared*

We don't want to alarm you by mentioning possible future school closures, but we thought it would be best to be prepared for any eventuality.

Our teachers have set up their new classes on the Seesaw platform so they are ready to use if and when needed. Your child's code will be sent home this Friday. Please check that you can access the platform and keep it somewhere safe in case it is needed in the future.

We are keeping our two bubbles of children separate throughout the school day so that if a child did test positive for Corona virus, there would be every chance that one bubble could continue to come into school.



# The Great Fire of London

## *Drama visit for Mars Class*

The Great Fire of London unit of work got off to a blazing start with a wonderful drama workshop on Tuesday, led by a visitor to the school.

The children were transported back to London in 1666, to the baker's house where the Great Fire began. The hall was filled with sounds from centuries ago as the children's imaginations were filled with ideas of what it might have been like to have lived at that time.

In the afternoon, the children continued to explore the theme of the great fire by creating fire-inspired collages by cutting, twisting and tearing different papers and textures. Super work Mars Class!



## Upcoming events...

- Non-pupil Day – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October
- Our Virtual Harvest Festival – link will be sent to you during the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> October
- Foodbank Collection – we will collect food to send to the foodbank during the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> October to link with Harvest.
- Individual school photos – 12<sup>th</sup> October
- KS2 Parent Consultation event – 20<sup>th</sup> October – more details to follow
- KS1 Parent Consultation event – 21<sup>st</sup> October – more details to follow