

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. It was such good news to hear on Saturday that schools will be remaining open from Thursday and I do hope that this does not change!

#### Afterschool Clubs:

Meetings are going on today to clarify where we stand with regard to football & multi-skills and I will let everyone know when a decision has been made. My hope is that they will be able to continue in a way that still keeps all the children safe as they are both outside anyway. Pottery & booster clubs have been kept within class groups and so they will continue as normal.

#### .Remembrance:

We have had our delivery of poppies and it would be nice to still have a collection for a very worthwhile cause. There will be a bucket at the gate for the next 3 mornings for the children to donate. Suggested donations for items in the children's box have an upper limit of £1.50 for the "snap bands". The children may keep their chosen item with them for the day but they need to stay at home after.

#### Children in need:

With all the doom and gloom around, we felt it would be a bit of fun for the children to celebrate Children in Need this year with a Non-uniform day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November. As for the poppies, a bucket will be at the gate for the £1 fine to be collected on the day.

The week beginning Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November, is Anti-bullying Week and to kick start the week, we are asking if all the children could come in wearing odd socks to celebrate being different – the fancier the better! There is no cost for this.

#### School Productions:

Unfortunately, the Infant Nativity will not be able to go ahead this year. To ensure the children still have the opportunity to perform for parents though, we have decided that there will be an Infant production in the summer term This will be organised in such a way that, if necessary, it can still go ahead outside.

The summer term of 2021 would normally be the chance for years 5 & 6 to be part of a production at the Watermill Theatre. I have not heard yet what will be happening there, but if this does not happen, a junior performance will also be arranged at the end of the summer term in school.

#### Distancing outside the School:

Please could all parents & carers continue to help keep everyone safe in and out of school by ensuring that you keep your distance when dropping off or picking up your children and moving away from the gate so that others can do the same. We have begun to notice some of the older children wandering away from their grown-up once

they have finished – please could everyone make sure that all children who have already left school stay with you.

Thank you, as always for your patience and support,

Have a lovely break,

Mrs K