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## Headteacher's news:

### School partial re-opening: Week 3

Another week has come to an end both in school and at 'home school' too. I hope the children at home are well and are continuing to work hard. The teachers add the home learning to the website every week and we have been printing packs for some of our families as well. Please do not hesitate to contact us about any elements of the home learning - we understand that it is not the same as being in school but I think you will be surprised at how well your children are doing under your guidance and support.

We continue to follow our strategy plan whilst we await news from the government about the plans for September. There have been Headteacher Zoom meetings and forums where the return of all pupils to school has been discussed. Whilst we do need to wait, the feeling amongst school leaders is that we can plan for two scenarios: one where social distancing is no longer in place so we can welcome all of our pupils back full time; and one where we welcome all pupils back but with social distancing restrictions meaning that pupils will have to attend part time.

There are also other factors at play too - including whether schools are still going to be directed to prioritise placements for the key worker and vulnerable groups of children as this has a significant impact on being able to open the school fully to all children. I have previously stated that we have two classrooms unoccupied but these will soon be filled: our key worker numbers are rising as are our Y6 numbers. I am pleased about this but am also aware that it gives us no options for other year groups and this leads me nicely on to next week...

I am very much looking forward to seeing some different faces on Monday and Tuesday next week as we open up the school grounds to the children in Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 who have been at home since the school closed on 20 March. The plans for these Keeping In Touch visits are detailed on the website so if you haven't seen them, please [click here](#) or go to the news section. It is essential that you stick to the timings indicated on the letter and that you also keep to the social distancing guidelines. Please talk to your child before your visit to ensure they understand these expectations too.

Remember, if you or your child are developing or displaying any symptoms of COVID-19 or if you are shielding for any health reasons, you must not come on to the school site. This statement feels like a negative way to end my newsletter but it is still of critical importance.

Take care and stay safe.

Click on your child's class page below to access home learning for next week. Once on the class page, select the link dated 22.6.20. The [Home Learning](#) page in the MORE section of the website is also useful - this page contains all the important website links that can be used to support learning at home.

[Nursery](#)   [Reception](#)   [Year1 Pear](#)   [Year 1/2 Lime](#)   [Year 2 Cherry](#)  
[Year 3 Willow](#)   [Year 3/4 Cedar](#)   [Year 4 Beech](#)  
[Year 5 Oak](#)   [Year 5/6 Ash](#)   [Year 6 Maple](#)

**Topic project work :** the children in the Y4-5 key worker group have been learning about how the Ancient Egyptian pyramids were built and then recreated them using spaghetti and marshmallows.



Y1 Pear have been making dragon eggs and dreamcatchers in their afternoon sessions. They started the dreamcatchers last week and worked on them a little bit every day - almost like a little crafting project. The dragon eggs are linked with Zog which was their literacy story for this week.



### Friends of Rufford Park

We are in the early stages at the moment but the FORP are planning their next event. It is timely too as it is around this time of year that schools host their annual sports day. The initial plans are to raise money for the school by completing a whole school relay (in school for the children attending) and in the locality for the children at home. There will be more information soon.

### Keep your fingers crossed for this:

Monday's weather forecast for our KIT visits



### Ongoing item: Reception 2020

Our Reception classes for September 2020 still have places. If you know any families who have children due to start school after the summer holidays and still need a school place, please encourage them to contact us here at Rufford Park.