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Headteacher's news:

It has been a very positive week following the return of all pupils on Monday. It is great to see the classrooms full again and to see the children (and parents) who haven't been to school since December. Thank you for the part you have played this week to help keep the school community safe. We will need to continue to work positively together over the coming months and I am looking forward to many more weeks of uninterrupted schooling for our children.

Almost one year ago, we closed the school for the first lockdown and, in that week, I remember publishing a newsletter with pictures of Y6 completing their bikeability training. I recall thinking that we were lucky to have managed this. I feel the same this week as this most recent re-opening has coincided with Y6 bikeability again. We are determined to be able to offer experiences like these and the fact that we will access swimming next week and a Y5/6 football club is also starting is testimony of this. Academic catch-up is important but so is a broad and balanced curriculum as well as a range of extra-curricular experiences. We hope to build on this positive start.

Take care and stay safe.



We received a brand new composting bin last week. This was donated by Archie (Y1) who completed a sponsored walk to raise money for the bin. We plan to set up compost recycling systems in school over the coming weeks.



Well done and thank you Archie!

SWIMMING: Y4, Y5 and Y6

Many thanks for completing the survey about swimming. It gave us very useful data about the children and helped inform our decision to prioritise Year 4 for lessons between now and the end of the academic year. The information provided for Y5 and Y6 was not wasted. Every primary school is required to report annually on their [PE and Sports Premium Report](#) the percentages of pupils who meet the national curriculum requirements for swimming by the time they leave primary school. In 'normal times', we will try to provide additional lessons for those that need it in Y6. Unfortunately, we will not have the time or the resources to do it this year. Hopefully next year, current Y5 will benefit from some extra lessons as they were impacted by the school closure last March.

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week.

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)

Dates for the diary

16 March: Y5/6 Football Club to start

19 March: Y4 swimming to start

1 April: School closes for the Easter break (note - this is a Thursday).