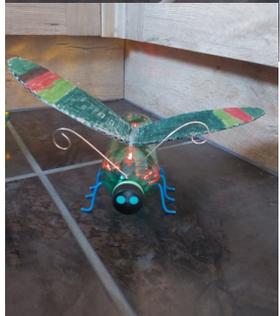


Newsletter

Family Creative Challenge

Following the brilliantly creative work we have seen happening in your homes, we invited you to make a model person or animal, using ordinary household items. We have received some fantastic efforts, as pictured below.



Above is the Brisbane Family sculpture, the Fireflies to the left are from the Foster family, and below is a menagerie from the Gilchrist family!



This week, for anyone who would like to join in, we would like you to create an display of something from the great outdoors. This could be an outdoor arrangement, a drawing or collage using different natural materials, a model, a painting, or anything you can think of- using items found both outside and around your home! You could choose to make something based on this terms theme of under the sea, or something else such as mountains, your garden, a jungle or whatever your imagination decides - just have lots of fun and enjoy being creative!

VE Day Celebrations

Last Friday marked the 75th anniversary of the end of WW2 - Thank you to all those who have shared with us their creativity in honour of VE Day. We have seen some wonderful displays, excellent pieces of work, and celebrations when families took time out to remember. We appreciate it was not what many would have had planned for the occasion, but seeing your fabulous home efforts, making the most of the weather helping commemorate outdoors, and some excellent 'keep calm and carry on' spirit, it seems to have made a day enjoyed by many!

School Update from Mr Brough

Dear Parents and children,

I hope that you are all well and keeping safe.

As we approach the end of yet another extraordinary week, I want to try to gauge your opinion on the Governments decisions regarding a return to school.

There is such a lot of information coming my way at the moment from a variety of sources, Department for Education, Shropshire Council, and teaching unions, and if I'm honest, most of it is very confusing, and if I'm being really honest, that from the DfE doesn't necessarily make a lot of sense.

The simple fact is that the Prime Minister in his address on Sunday announced that it was the intention for YR, Y1 and Y6 pupils to return to school on 1st June and for the remainder of primary age school children to return after 1st July.

Of course, I would love for the children and staff to return to school this term but most of all I would like to be able to guarantee their protection from this terrible virus. However, let's be realistic; you know as well as I do that schools are a breeding ground for coughs, colds, chicken pox, tummy bugs. You name it, it will spread in a school.

No matter how hard we try to prevent the spread of bugs they still have a nasty way of popping up and spreading through the school community.

Before a decision is made, we not only need to consider how we teach the children within the classes, but also how do we get them in and out of the classrooms? We need to consider toileting, breaks, lunchtimes, corridors, handling equipment and books, first aid, journeying to and from school, drop-off and collection and many other things too.

For us to reopen the school for all pupils this term an awful lot has to be considered. The first thing I need is to gauge your opinions and your intentions. I'm hoping that by return of email you would let me know your thoughts and whether you intend to allow your child to return to school either on 1st June (YR, Y1 & Y6) or 1st July (Y2 Y3 & Y4). This will enable me, the staff and governors to begin to build a picture of what is required in preparation for the weeks ahead.

I look forward to reading your responses.
In the meantime, stay home and stay safe.

My very best wishes.

Jonathan Brough
Headteacher