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Outdoor Learning in FS1

Our FS1 children have made the most of the great weather we have had by spending as much time outside as possible undertaking some great outdoor learning.

They have played with water, using all the new water resources; they have been learning how to put on the



Science in Y3

Our Y3 children have been learning to think like a scientist. In their investigation they were looking at how water travels through plants. They did this by adding food colouring to the water and seeing if the plant changed



Maybe you could try it out at home and see what you discover and check it out with Y3 to see if this is what happened in their experiment.

Instructions:

Fill each cup with water half way.

Add 3 drops of **food colouring** into each of the cups.

Carefully cut the end of each of the flower's stem. Place each stem in a different **coloured water** cup. Wait one hour and observe your **flowers**' petals. Wait one day and observe your **flowers**' petals.

Parking

I know I have written to families many times in relation to parking at the start and end of the school day and how it is so important that we park responsibly to ensure that we keep all our children safe.

Sadly, we are still getting complaints from both parents of children in school and residents around the school regarding parking. Please can I remind families to not park directly by the school entrances or on the restricted areas by the school (zig zag lines) these are there to ensure that there is clear visibility for pedestrians and road users. By parking in these areas it causes an obstruction for families bringing their children to and from school which could result in an accident.

We have on many occasions spoken to the local neighbourhood policing team and have informed them of any persistent vehicle which continues to be parked without the care and consideration to others.



Collection at the end of the school day

As you are aware we are trying to ensure, as much as possible, that we have systems in place to reduce the number of people on the school site at anyone time. Part of this approach means that we have a staggered end to the school day to allow families to collect children from Reception and KS1 earlier than children in KS2.

We know that a number of families may then have to wait for a few minutes before collecting an older child, which we fully understand. Please could I just ask families who this affects to ensure that they keep their children with them at all times and not let them play on the school field.

During school hours we work incredible hard with our routines, systems and expectations about children staying in bubbles and by keeping your child with you whilst you wait will continue to support the systems we have implemented in school.

Attendance Matters

Here are our attendance figures for last week. Our whole school attendance target this year is 96% and our whole school attendance currently stands at 95.9%. Thank you for helping us to continue to aim to reach our target by ensuring that you are in school everyday.

Class	Current Attendance
1	95.9%
2	99.2%
3	98.6%
4	99.3%
5	97.3%
6	100.0%
7	100.0%
8	100.0%
9	93.7%
10	96.4%
11	99.6%
12	98.6%
13	95.9%
14	93.0%



Bikes and Scooters

We are getting to the time of year where more children are coming to school on their bike or a scooter which is great to see. Unfortunately, we have had a number of incidents resulting children being hurt or property damaged due to children riding their bikes or scooters, particularly at the end of the day.

We ask all children and adults **not** to ride either bikes or scooters on the school grounds to ensure that we can keep all the school community safe, we have had a number of concerns raised by families who have either had a near miss or sadly have been hurt due to scooters and bikes being ridden on the school grounds. I would like to thank you in advance for your support in keeping everyone safe.

Term Dates:

The last day of Term is **Friday 28th May 2021** and we return on Tuesday 8th June 2021

The next INSET Day is: Monday 7th June 2021 Additional INSET Day on: Monday 5th July 2021

