



Dear Parents,

I cannot believe that this is the second to last week of the term. It still feels very strange that we haven't seen so many of you in such a long time. We are busy organising some end of year videos for your children to enjoy and they do include a little clip of their new teacher! Tomorrow you will receive a letter with the staffing for September, however in these slightly strange times things may change (although I hope not!)

September arrangements

You will have seen the Government announcement that all children are expected to return to school in September. The guidance is extensive and quite complex. We are working hard to review our Risk Assessment and work out the logistics of following the new expectations. The guidance does allow schools some flexibility on *how* we start the new term. I would like to reassure you that any and all decisions made will have the safety of children and staff at the heart of it. We will be writing to you next week to inform you of the new arrangements.

School reports

Teachers have written an end of year report for your child. This is obviously slightly different to usual. If your child is not in school please drop by and pick it up.

Library Books

Thank you to all those families that have been returning books. Please keep doing so if you haven't already!

We ask that any school books you have in the house are returned to a box just inside the front door of the school. They will be left in quarantine for 72 hours before being brought back into the classrooms and library. Please just tick your child's name off so that we know not to give you a nudge come the end of the year. Please have a good look around those bedrooms and under those beds! Our library and classrooms are depleted of books since so many of them went home during lockdown so we are looking forward to having them back.

Loxwood School Governors

There is an exciting opportunity for a parent to become part of the Loxwood School Governing body. It's a rewarding, challenging possibility to help support the running of the school, uphold standards and give a little something back to the community. If this sounds interesting to you please refer to the attached form. If you would like any further information please contact wschofield@loxwoodschool.com



Home Learning—a joint end of term fun activity

As a celebration of reaching the end of term we would like all the children to enjoy a movie afternoon and we invite you to do the same at home. The movie we will be watching in school is "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs" (U) but if you would like to watch another movie on the theme of "Food" then please do. Then on Tuesday we are planning two activities;

1. An exciting designing and making afternoon where we will be inventing our own "Food Machine". In Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs, Flint Lockwood's latest contraption accidentally destroys the town square and rockets up into the clouds; he thinks his inventing career is over. Then something amazing happens as delicious cheeseburgers start raining from the sky. His machine actually works! We are really looking forward to seeing how creative you can be when designing your own. Get practical, making it out of junk and recycling or roll out some paper and draw up some exciting plans and diagrams.
2. Secondly, we invite you to make a delicious healthy snack, we will be making healthy snacks in school too. Please send in pictures of you enjoying your movie afternoon at home, we would love to put a selection of these on the school website so we can all share in the fun we have had!

Can't get hold of the film? Go to our website and follow the links—there are short clips of the film that will give you enough information and enthusiasm to join in.

General dates

Friday 17th July 2020 Last Day of Term
Monday 7th September 2020 Return to school

Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2020/21

Half Term **October 26th—30th**

Christmas Holidays **December 21st—1st January 2021**

Half Term **February 15th—19th 2021**

End of Term **Thursday 1st April 2021**

INSET days for next Academic Year

Thursday 3rd September

Friday 4th September

Monday 4th January 2021

Monday 22nd February

Monday 19th April

Stanley's Blog

Well I have had a few days off this week, just for a change. I will be back on Wednesday full of life and ready to see the children again. I will be checking the area, I hear that the Year 2 children made a dragon out of crates and the key worker children have been weeding the front of the school so it looks lovely. Perfect.

