



Believe in Yourself

Newsletter

Letter 1
6 September 2021

Welcome

We have had a super first day back and thank you for sending us such a wonderful group of children! There are a whole range of exciting lessons and events planned for this year and we will share details of our curriculum and activities over the next few weeks. Please keep an eye on the school website which has the latest diary dates and calendars.

Coronavirus arrangements

As you will be aware, the school has been able to reduce some of the restrictions we had in place for managing cases, although we are continuing with our sanitising and additional cleaning regimes.

We are very much looking forward to going over to Balcarras for lunches again, holding assemblies and allowing different classes and year groups to mix. Of course, we do not know the impact of this yet and have prepared a contingency plan in case we have to reinstate some safety measures should we have a local outbreak. This together with our current risk assessment can be found on our website under the 'Our School > Governors' tabs.

The local authority has produced a letter for parents detailing the current arrangements for managing Covid-19 and this is attached to this newsletter.

As the number of positive cases still remains relatively high in the local community, please bear with us if we remain cautious over illnesses. We know that traditionally there is an increase in coughs and colds when the children return to

school and it is difficult to tell which symptoms are Covid and which are just a cold. If your child is unwell, we ask that you take them for a PCR test. Of course, if it is negative they can come into school. If they become unwell at school, we will ring and ask you to collect them.

Building work

The school was fortunate to receive additional funding from the government in June to replace the heating system. A huge amount of work has taken place during the holidays to replace the heaters around the school, remove any asbestos and put in new pipework. Whilst the majority of the work has been completed, there are still a few bits to do, but the remaining work shouldn't impact on the children in the classrooms.

Before and after school care

Paint Pot has traditionally provided this service for the school and will continue to do so for the Autumn term. From January 2022, Deb is intending to significantly reduce her numbers and we are planning to set up our own provision at CKJS. In order to understand demand, if you are likely to use this service, please let us know by completing the form via the link below:

[CKJS wraparound childcare interest form](#)

Diary Dates for September

7th/8th/9th – Meet the Teacher Drop In sessions

10th – Year 5 Topic Morning

13th – School Photographer (Individual and Families)

20th – Year 3 Stone Age Visitor

20th – Year 6 Bikeability Group 1

27th – Year 6 Bikeability Group 2