## Withycombe Raleigh C of E Primary School

Date: 9/10/2020



Mrs Emma Jones, Headteacher Withycombe Village Road Exmouth, Devon, EX8 3BA

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### **News from your Headteacher**

What a busy week! There has been lots of great learning going on across the school this week. Several children have been sent to see me to share their lovely work. I have learned about Ancient Egyptian mummies, the first moon landing and how to convert decimals to fractions. It is amazing to see the progress in the children's work even in the short amount of time they have been back in school. Lots of classes have been making the most of our wonderful environmental area too. All classes will have the opportunity to take their learning outdoors this term and to learn in a more practical and hands-on way. This approach to learning really helps children develop problem solving and social skills as well as an appreciation for the world around them. Please take a look at the photos at the end of the newsletter. You can see by all the smiles that the children are loving the chance to take their learning outdoors.

#### Covid-19

Thank you everyone for supporting us with our Covid-19 procedures to help keep everyone in our community safe. We are keeping an eye on the number of cases across the country but in particular the figures for Devon and our immediate local area. We continue to evaluate and adapt our systems in line with advice received from Public Health England and the Government.

It is really helpful if when you report your child's absence that you provide us with as much detail as possible about your child's symptoms. If your child has any Covid symptoms (i.e., fever, new continuous cough, loss of taste or smell) the whole household needs to isolate. Anyone with symptoms needs to book a test as soon as possible and tests must be completed within 4 days after the symptoms appear.

#### Parents' Evenings

If you have requested a virtual Parents' Evening appointment, you will receive an invite to a Googlemeet via the class email account. If you are unable to attend the allocated appointment, please contact your child's class teacher as soon as possible. We hope that technology is well behaved and that appointments run smoothly! If for any reason the technology fails before or during your appointment, teachers will endeavour to rearrange the appointment or call you over the phone at a later date. If you have requested a written report, these will be sent home on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

#### A few reminders

Next week we have the photographer in school (Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October).

From Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October we will move to our Winter Uniform. Further details about our uniform can be found at the following link:

https://www.wrpschool.org/school-uniform

Please can all children bring to school a named water bottle each day. We encourage children to drink water regularly to keep themselves hydrated and their minds alert. Our school policy is that children drink water rather than juice or squash please.

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Please remember that there are many ways you can contact school staff if you have any queries. You can email your child's class teacher directly using the class email account; alternatively, you can email <a href="mailto:admin@wrpschool.org">admin@wrpschool.org</a> or enquiries@wrpschool.org or call us on 01395 266397.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. E Jones

#### **Upcoming Events**

### Monday 12th of October

KS2 Gymnastics Competition #DevonVirtualGames

I hope you are all having great fun learning the sequences for the gymnastics competition. Don't forget to send your competition video to Mrs Rhodes by Monday 12th of October, for your chance to win!

#### Kingfisher@wrpschool.org

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Individual Photos

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October
PTFA Fundraiser 'Make the Rules Day'

Friday 13th November

Children in Need Mufti Day

#### **Collective Worship**

This week in Collective Worship we have been thinking about our Value of Courage.

Please share any examples of children being courageous by sending details to enquiries@wrpschool.org



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### **Sports & Achievements**



We love to hear about your sporting and other achievements. If you have anything to share, please email <a href="mailto:enquiries@wrpschool.org">enquiries@wrpschool.org</a> with your news and a photo if possible. We will endeavor to include as many of your photos as possible each week.

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### **Year Group News**



Seal Class enjoyed making creatures, building dens and playing in the environmental area.





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In Year 6, the children were challenged to build a stick tower. They were given no rules about group size or construction method. The challenge was simply to work as a team, include each team member and aim to build the tallest tower.

As you can see there were quite a few different methods but they all had a great time