



## School Newsletter

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Although school doesn't have its full complement of pupils and we miss everyone greatly, we have tried to keep some sense of normality. Our allotment is being tended and the vegetables are really thriving. The chickens are hiding under their sunshade and getting back to their usual routines, which always makes us smile.

The children's transition is hugely important to us. For those year groups not in school our online Teams meetings have gone really well – thank you all for signing up so promptly, the teachers have so enjoyed seeing the children again. These Teams will be used next week to enable children to meet their teachers for next year. Year 1 teachers have met their classes and are also going to read a story which will be posted on Tapestry so that EYFS children who are not in school can meet their teacher. We are hoping that Year 2 teachers will also be able to offer a Teams meeting for those Year 1 children not in school.

I was pleased to receive the Government's latest guidance outlining how we will be able to welcome all pupils back to school in September. We will ensure that we plan for additional transition when the children return in the fullest way that the guidance allows. We will endeavour to give parents the opportunity to meet the teachers in September too. Reintegration information will be sent before we restart after the summer so that everyone is clear about Covid 19 mitigation procedures, times, location of classrooms and entrance and exit gates.

I have never known such a challenging time in the world or in teaching and it has been heart warming to have received so many positive comments, helpful suggestions and messages of support. It really has made this whole period a great deal easier and has once again reinforced what a special school community we have. Thank you!  
Please have a lovely weekend and take care.



### PE Bag Collection

We have a lot of PE bags which have been left in school since March. As the holiday club will be using many of the classrooms over the summer we really need these to be collected. Bags will be placed outside the hall in the school car park from 9am – 5pm on Tuesday and Wednesday next week.

### Laptop Purchase Scheme

Discovery Trust have partnered with London Grid for Learning (LGfL) to offer families the opportunity to buy IT devices at a reduced cost, to help support learning at home.

There are two main devices available as shown below, both have identical specs other than the WinBook 300e includes a touchscreen display and digital pen. Both devices will include a laptop bag to ensure safe travel.

The Lenovo WinBook 100e is £174.59 (£145.49 + VAT) Including a carry bag

The Lenovo WinBook 300e is £221.39 (£184.49 + VAT) Including a carry bag

Further information on the LGfL's scheme can be found on their [website](#).



For further information and advice on how to purchase using this scheme please visit the Trusts website [HERE](#) Or submit any queries by email [smartbuyscheme@discoveryschoolstrust.org.uk](mailto:smartbuyscheme@discoveryschoolstrust.org.uk)

Payments are made through your Parent Pay account, the deadline for payment is July 10<sup>th</sup>.



### Miss Lenton's Reading Raffle

Congratulations to **Benji in 1W**, who has received an Amazon voucher to buy a new book. Last chance saloon now with only 1 draw remaining! Remember reading for 5 could earn you 5! Send a photo of your Reading Diary to your teacher on Friday.

Miss Lenton will prepare the draw, which will be shared with you all on Monday.

Good Luck and keep reading. It is the key to life!

## On my Bookshelf

### Mrs Tyrrell's Weekly Book Review

#### A Huge Bag of Worries by Virginia Ironside

As a parent during these challenging times, I have found this book very helpful. This is a reassuring picture book encouraging children to open up about their fears and anxieties to help manage their feelings.



Wherever Jenny goes, her worries follow her - in a big blue bag. They are with her all the time - at school, at home, when she is watching TV and even in the bathroom! Jenny decides they have to go, but who will help her get rid of them.



It's been a long time coming but with football back on TV and other sports gearing up, we are pleased to bring back our Sports News!



### Virtual Athletics Challenge

It's great to see that sport and games are back on. Over the past 2 weeks many children from our school took part in a Virtual Athletic Challenge competing against children across south Leicestershire.

Well done to Monique (year 3), Ollie (year 4), Ethan (year 4) who had the highest scores from Kibworth.

We have also been competing in the National School Sports week and undertaking the HiFIVE challenges from the resource for each of the 4 sports categories. Children record and submit their score on to the website. We have high hopes for our athletes and are awaiting the results!

### Foundation Stage Sports

The Foundation Stage children had a fantastic sports day on Thursday afternoon. They all tried really hard and worked together as a team. They took part in a running race, relay, obstacle course, standing long jump and a throwing activity. All the activities were based on a jungle theme such as kangaroo jumping, race the Cheetah and spear throw.

Well done to Mrs Carson and the FSC 2 group who were the overall winners!



Happy Birthday!

Year 6  
Eloise

Year 5  
Cerys

Year 4  
Aaryn and Isla

Year 2  
Ava

Year 1  
Pedro and Duggie

EYFS

Isaac, Edward, Ivy and Harrison

### End of Year Reports

This year's reports are ready and will be sent home via the children for year groups who are in school.



The reports for children who are home learning will be delivered to their home address either by hand or by post. We hope you enjoy reading them.

### DSAT Holiday Camp



Last chance to book places on Mr Norton's Holiday Camp!

The camp will run from 27th July until the 21st August.

Activities will include arts, crafts, sports, cooking, dancing and more.

There are two price ranges:

**Full Day 8am-4pm -£15**

**School Day 9am-3pm—£10**

There are discounts available for early pick up and 10% off for siblings. To book your place/s visit our bookings page [HERE](#)

**Bookings close 5/7/20**