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Friday 22nd May 2020

A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

It has been business as usual this week for children completing their home learning on Teams. I am glad to hear that the feedback for our use of Oak National Academy material has been overwhelmingly positive.

You will no doubt have heard that the government has asked schools to potentially open for some groups of children from 1st June. Plans are being worked on to open the school to select groups of pupils in identified year groups, however you should know that the government has not finally confirmed that schools will indeed open, so **please do not send your child to school on the 1st June**. If and when it is decided that schools will re-open, we will be in touch with individual families to invite children to attend. This will be from the 8th June at the absolute earliest and may change dependent on government and other advice. Again, no child should attend school until they are formally invited.

The health and safety of staff, pupils, parents, and indeed our whole community is of paramount importance and will form the basis of any decision to re-open. The senior leadership team are working extremely hard, alongside the staff and governing body, to ensure that the safety of our whole community comes first. We will be in touch in the week after half-term with further details of what a potential re-opening may look like, should this be confirmed by government. We are adamant that staff and parents are consulted on re-opening plans every step of the way and I thank parents that have responded to the recent surveys – your views are extremely important to us.

I thank you for your patience while we ensure the safety of our school community is at the heart of any decision taken to open the school more widely and I want to reassure you that we will be in touch again in the week after half-term.

Please do enjoy your half-term break.

Mr Reynolds
Headteacher

School Fully Closed

HALF TERM WEEK
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

May Half-Term

Staff have worked non-stop since mid February. In the interest of staff well-being, we have therefore made the decision to close the school as usual during May half-term. Thank you to parents and carers for their support.

Wellbeing and Mental Health Awareness Week

It's a challenging time for us all so it's especially important to consider how you are feeling, coping and responding to your day to day activities and the people around you. The theme for this week has been 'KINDNESS', that can mean kindness to others but also, to **yourself!** Watch the video to learn more.



Eid Mubarak
to all who celebrate!



SCHOOL CLOSED

INSET Day

Due to recent developments and the ongoing Covid-19 crisis, the INSET day planned for Friday 22nd May has been moved to Monday 1st June. School will be closed to all pupils on this day, including to those of key worker parents.

Free School Meals Update

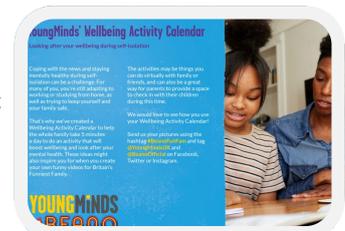
The government has confirmed that the Free Schools Meals offer is **term-time only**. Therefore, parents will not receive free school meals vouchers over the May half term holiday. Current vouchers will cover the period up to week ending 5th June 2020. For new applications: <https://tinyurl.com/rnqxn3o>



Wellbeing Activity

As part of Year 5's Wellbeing activity this week they looked at creating a Wellbeing Calendar . It contains lots of fun and easy activities to help us manage during this time.

Why not 'Give a gold star'? Present it to a family member, perhaps for their dancing skills or for making you laugh! Click the pic for ideas to create your own family calendar.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Give a Gold Star</p> <p>Write a note of appreciation for someone who has helped you during the week.</p>	<p>Give a Gold Star</p> <p>Write a note of appreciation for someone who has helped you during the week.</p>	<p>Give a Gold Star</p> <p>Write a note of appreciation for someone who has helped you during the week.</p>	<p>Give a Gold Star</p> <p>Write a note of appreciation for someone who has helped you during the week.</p>	<p>Give a Gold Star</p> <p>Write a note of appreciation for someone who has helped you during the week.</p>

Remember to have fun!

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