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Dear Parents,

Most parents of pupils from nursery to year 1 should have received a wellbeing call from the class teachers. We hope that you have found these useful. It was lovely to hear the positive comments about how the children have settled back in to school life.

The remaining calls for pupils from year 2 to year 6 will be completed next week.

Pandas Update

The governing body team reconvened to discuss potential plans for reopening on 14th October. After carefully considering the current challenging situation and on-going safety concerns regarding Covid-19, the governing body team unanimously concluded that the club cannot reopen at this point in time. The governing body will re-evaluate its decision at the next meeting, which will be on Monday 30th November. It is anticipated that potentially Pandas will not resume until after Christmas at the very earliest. The team realise that this will be disappointing to many of you but at the heart of the decision is the health, safety and wellbeing of the pupils and the community. Pandas will be circulating more information to parents/carers next Monday.

Harvest Assembly/ Raven House

Many thanks to those of you who have brought in food donations for the foodbank- once again the community has been incredibly generous!

You are still able to donate. All of the food products will be collected on the 20th October.

- ✓ Cereals
- ✓ Rice
- ✓ Dried goods
- ✓ Pasta
- ✓ Tins

(sorry, no fresh produce)

PFA/ Reading Scheme

The PFA have very kindly donated money to the school in order for us to begin upgrading the reading scheme. The current scheme has been in place for a substantial length of time and as a school we feel replacing it is a priority in terms of school development. The PFA are donating approximately £4000 to school which is remarkable. Thank you for your continued support of the PFA team. The PFA are currently exploring a range of projects for the autumn term.

Staggered Start

We would like to thank the community for adhering to our staggered start arrangements. Please continue to arrive at school at your child's start time and avoid arriving too early for



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their slot. We appreciate that parking can be a challenge and appreciate your support with this at this time.

Training Days

27th November

4th January

12th February

28th May

19th July

20th July

Parking

We would like to remind all parents and carers to be cautious and respectful when parking around the school site. Please do not park across drives or in bus stops. We all have a duty to keep everyone safe. The school has contacted the police on several occasions to report unsafe and dangerous parking and driving. If you witness anything that concerns you at a criminal level, we would advise that you contact the local police. If you have concerns regarding hazardous parking please contact below-



Please contact Newport City Council with any queries

Email: info@newport.gov.uk

Web: www.newport.gov.uk/cpe

Telephone: (01633) 656656

Blended Learning update

You should all receive your child's log in details today. Although this has been communicated previously, all important information you need regarding distance learning will be contained in the paper copy you receive today. Please let your child's class teacher know if you require any further help with logging on to your seesaw account.

Absence and Covid-19

We have attached a reminder of procedures for questions and queries regarding Covid-19. If you have any concerns about your child's health, please refer to these guidelines. We are



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more than happy to help with any worries you might have. If you are unsure of anything- we may not be able to give immediate help but we can seek further guidance from LA officers and the environmental health team.

Please contact the school office for further help.

Competition

Your children have been invited to take part in a competition to design a Christmas card for Ruth Jones MP. If your child would like to take part, they need to use the theme of 'Christmas and Winter'. Please make sure they put their name, age, class and school on the back of the entry which should be A4 in size. They need to return their entries to school by Friday 23rd October. The office will then send them all together. The winning design will be reproduced and used as the official Christmas card of Ruth Jones MP.

Thank you all once again for your continued support during this time.

Kind Regards,

Mrs L.J. Lewis and the Marshfield Team