



Tithe Barn Times

Developing cheerful,
confident achievers.

3rd July 2020

It has been lovely to have so many children back in school and we are all really looking forward to the return of our other children for their transition session.

I am looking forward to some new traditions for this term. Our children in Year 6 are currently preparing for our virtual Variety Show which will be shared on E-schools and preparations are also underway for our 'Sock Olympics' which will be replacing our traditional sports day. These new traditions will enable us to involve all of our children both at home and in school.

Later in the newsletter I have shared details of this year's Summer Reading Challenge. This is a fantastic opportunity to encourage all of our children to develop as readers. I do hope your child will take part!

Yesterday the guidance for schools reopening for all pupils was published and we are now currently developing our approach to ensure the safe and effective return of all our children to school in September. Once we have finalised our plans I will be in touch to share them with you.

It has been a very challenging time for all and we appreciate your continued support. If your child is struggling and needs additional support please let us know and we will try to help.

We miss all our pupils and are looking forward to seeing them in the near future.

Katherine Muncaster



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Key Worker Provision

Please find below the details regarding our key worker provision. **Unfortunately you are only able to access this provision if you are identified on the designated list from the DfE.** The link is below and the guidance has recently been updated.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

If you are entitled to use this provision then you will need to contact school directly so we can add you to the online booking system via E-schools. If your child is about to start using this provision you may wish to watch the short video below which explains what will happen when they return to school.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1arovBS-r1gS6rQgzAvMUcG-DxERr0pRB>

School Dinners

If you would like your child to have a school dinner please ensure you order it in advance. Dinners **must be ordered by Friday afternoon** for the following week.

Unfortunately if you do not order in advance we will not be able to provide a lunch due to the current situation.

Transition

We are delighted to invite our children from Year 2, 3 and 4 back to school for a half day transition session. This session will focus on their well-being and transition to their new year group. They will meet with their new teacher in a small group and prepare for their return to school and new academic year. If your child is already attending school as a key worker we will provide alternative transition arrangements during their time in school to avoid cross-contamination of the pods.

Children will be invited in to attend one half day session on a Wednesday. These sessions will take place in our After School Club facility which is not currently in use and will enable us to keep the children separate. In between each session the school will ensure a complete clean of the space. The timetable for the arrangements is below-

Day	Morning session 9.30-am – 11.30am	Afternoon session 1.30pm-3.30pm
Wednesday 8 th July 2020	Year 4 Pod A	Year 4 Pod B
Wednesday 15 th July 2020	Year 2 Pod A	Year 2 Pod B
Wednesday 22 nd July 2020	Year 3 Pod A	Year 3 Pod B

You will shortly receive an invitation to attend a specific session. If you do not wish for your child to attend at this time then we will also be offering virtual transition support over the next few weeks.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge, delivered with the support of public libraries, motivates over 700,000 children to keep reading to build their skills and confidence. Last year, in Stockport 3882 children took part. This year, Silly Squad, the Summer Reading Challenge 2020, will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. Children taking part in the challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck in to all different kinds of funny books!

The digital challenge will be FREE to access, featuring games, quizzes and digital and downloadable activities to incentivise and encourage children and their families to take part in reading related activities at home.

www.sillysquad.org.uk/ The Reading Agency have provided lots of information for parents about signing up for the challenge and this can be accessed from the Summer Reading Challenge website.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/parents-carers>

How the Challenge works:

- Children can sign up to the easy-to-use website from the 5th June onwards and create their own profile at <http://sillysquad.org.uk/>

Usually we ask children to read 6 books, but this year they can set their own challenge to read any amount of books, with children being encouraged to read anything that makes them happy – whether it be comics, joke books, poetry, fiction or non-fiction; in digital or print format. Stockport Libraries have provided a FREE range of e-books and e-audiobooks that will be available via <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/ebooks-and-audiobooks> from 5th June. There are many copies of these titles so children will not have to wait to borrow any!

The Reading Agency has also provided a book sorter to help you chose a book to read!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/book-sorter> Every time children finish a book, they add it to their profile and write a review. They are rewarded with activities and incentives along the way, such as online badges, games and videos. Children receive a downloadable certificate once they've completed their challenge!

To join the library please visit <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/join-your-local-library>