



Friday 12th June 2020

TYSOE NEWSLETTER

Summer Term Issue 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

So much has changed and challenged us since my last proper newsletter in the middle of March. Thank you for all your kind responses and feedback we have had into school. We do miss you all and want nothing more than to see our school full of happy children learning again.

LOCKDOWN IN SCHOOL

Despite closing our gates on 20th March to all pupils but key worker and vulnerable children, we have been working as hard as we can to provide you with home learning and keep contact with you all.

The government then announced the wider opening of schools. Since June 1st, we have moved into **Phase 1** and opened our doors wider to more children of key workers.

On Monday and Tuesday this week, we started **Phase 2**. We welcomed back children from Reception and Year 1 into their new pods and as a result of hard work by staff and parents, the children have settled in well and adjusted to their new routines.

Phase 3 will start on Tuesday of next week, when we will be welcoming Year 6 back. It will only be for a short period of approximately 3 weeks in order for them to complete their transition work, close their time at Tysoe School and prepare for the next step in their educational journey.

Phase 4, to open to other year groups to support their transition, remains firmly in the planning stage. We continue to work hard on our plans, keeping the interests of all of our children in mind.

We must ask parents and children to be mindful of the government advice to maintain social distancing. Currently the advice is that meetings of people from different households should be no more than six people and be kept outdoors except where single parent families form a support bubble. Guidance can be found here;

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-people-from-outside-your-household>

Please could we remind parents dropping off and collecting from school not to turn or park in School Lane. This is for the safety of all of our children and families.

END OF ACADEMIC YEAR

On behalf of all the staff and governors, I want to thank parents for their patience with the wider opening - we are fully aware the impact of this virus on education and well-being and we will continue to do our best to support all of you.

Our focus now is to help the remote transition for all the other pupils in school and prepare them for their next step. We will be in contact as soon as possible with information on the class arrangements for next year and then your class teachers will be in touch.

We are also planning as many virtual events as we can to ensure the children can share in the many traditions they expect at this time of the year. Virtual Sports Day and Leavers' Service

POM POMS

The children in school have been making pom poms and will be decorating the tree at the front of the school. To recognise that we are 'apart but together' we would like to invite the children at home to make a pom pom and add it to the tree too. It would be lovely to see a contribution from everyone. Please drop your pom pom in the box by the car park gate and we will add it to the tree. Please do not come on to school premises.

MILES IN MAY

Congratulations to everyone taking part in Miles in May. Thank you for sending in your totals. Well done to our high scorers:

Lucy - 412.3 miles
Byron, Angel - 306 miles
Harry C - 621 miles
Martha, Libby - 695.7 miles
Rufus - 1074 miles
George and Ellen - 112 miles
William R - 175.5 miles
Alice G - 33 miles

TYSOE RECORD ART COMPETITION

Congratulations to Alfie in Rowan Class on his winning entry in the Tysoe Record Art Competition. Many of us have seen your beautiful artwork, Alfie. It's fantastic!

WORLD RECORD ART

Continuing the Art theme, Alfie and Flynn in Rowan Class took part in the World Record challenge with Rob Biddulph. The boys were part of the largest ever online art lesson. They set a new World Record and helped to raise over £50,000 for charity in the process. Thank you for sharing with us boys. Let your teacher know if you also took part.

WORK IN SCHOOL

The children in school have been working on the same home learning that teachers have been sending home. We hope you are still enjoying the work we send home and are always happy to hear how you are getting on. This week one pod has been learning about Australia (and no, it was not my choice!) and created these lovely Sydney Opera House pictures.



George Year 2



Eve Year 2

SCHOOLTRANSPORT CONSULTATION

A few years ago, Warwickshire changed the way in which people qualified for free school transport to secondary schools which meant more pupils had to pay for their own bus passes.

Below is a link to a consultation to change how that works and this decision may affect your children in the future. Please read the proposal and act as you see fit.

<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/schools/home-to-school-transport/>

Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Service

Alongside reducing the spread of COVID-19, the priority of the School Health and Wellbeing Service is to continue to promote and protect the health and wellbeing of children, young people and families in Warwickshire. Parents/carers and young people are able to contact a member of the school health team for advice and support when needed.

- Parents/carers can call the service on 03300 245 204 or text on 07520 619 376.
- Young people aged 11-19 can text ChatHealth on 07507 331 525
- These services are available Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm and Friday 9am-4.30pm.
- Our service webpage contains useful information for children, young people and their families and will be updated with the latest information and advice from our service: <https://www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service/>
- Support and information is also available from the Family Information Service (FIS) - <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fis>

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Paige Neale

Head of School

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment.