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“A house without books is like a body without a soul.” Cicero

Newsletter 28 Monday 19th April 2021

Welcome Back
 We hope you had a lovely Easter break and managed to enjoy the sunshine....when it was out! Please remember that from today we have new staggered starts for many year groups

	School Starts*	School Ends
Nursery	9:00am	3:15pm
Reception	9:00am*	3:15pm
Year 1	9:05am*	3:20pm
Year 2	9:05am*	3:20pm
Year 3	9:00am*	3:15pm
Year 4	9:00am*	3:15pm
Year 5	8:55am*	3:10pm
Year 6	8:55am*	3:10pm

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 Today we are very excited to launch a brand new initiative to encourage a love of reading at school and **home**.
 Every two weeks your child will bring home a new class book, which is to be **read for pleasure**.
 They may be instructions from the teacher to read several pages or chapters but more than likely it will just be a book to enjoy with Mum or Dad or perhaps on their own.
 The children should bring the book into school everyday, as there may be work in school connected to their reading.
 I am sure you will agree and appreciate that this last year has been extremely difficult and as we begin the journey of catching up, reading is key to this progress.
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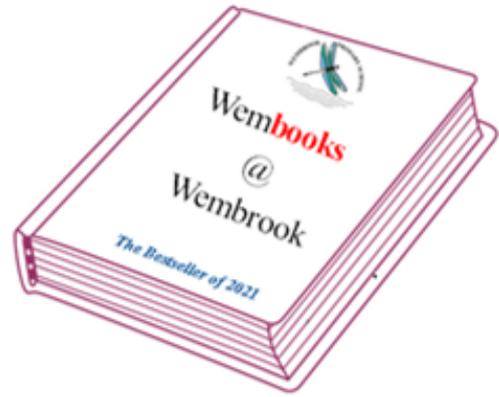


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Already, since the pandemic started, there have been several research projects indicating that if children can read an additional ten minutes everyday, then their progress which may have stalled can be caught up in just one term.

So this is the term!



The school has spent over £6000 on new books which we hope will create a love of reading. Some are easy, some are challenging but they all can help your child.

Please support your child by actively engaging with them and the book.

Try and create some special time most nights, just ten minutes is perfect. Share the book. You can read, they can read, you can read together. Don't make it a chore, try to resist correcting too much and certainly try and make it fun. My accents were infamous in the Pearson house as my children grew up!

So what you need to know:

- A new class book will come home every two weeks.
- Your child will have several books over the Summer term.
- There will be some discretion around normal reading books. It will vary on length but certainly we are not expecting double reading sessions every night.
- Some other homework will be relaxed, especially as we all try to encourage time with the books
- The books vary in price but some cost over £12. They need to be looked after and stored in a safe place. All books are numbered and if we believe that they have not been looked after appropriately then we may ask you to pay for a replacement.

We all know being a parent is the best and most frustrating job in the world but I personally would say there is no better feeling than to be cuddled up in bed together sharing a book. If it has been sometime, why don't you give it a try....and don't forget the silly voices!

Before and After School

Can all parents please remember to remind their children that no one should be on their bicycle or scooter within the school grounds at either the beginning or end of the school day.

This also applies to Nursery Children leaving or coming at lunchtime.



Can parents also be reminded that children should not be going on any equipment at the start and end of the day. This especially applies to the Reception outdoor classroom and the trim trail in the Key Stage One playground. Thank you.