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Dear Parents and Carers,

What's Been Going On?

This week all our classes have been running around our playground as part of a mini marathon event organised by Mr Pepper. It links with the London Marathon. I have heard lots of children huffing and puffing on their way past my office window as they did 14 laps of our playground. In total, each child completed 2.6 miles – isn't that amazing!

Year 2 have been doing some brilliant digital artwork with Mr Wase. When I visited their classroom in the week, I could hear a lot of laughter! The children had taken photos of themselves and then added to the images to make themselves into royalty! This linked with their Kings and Queens topic!

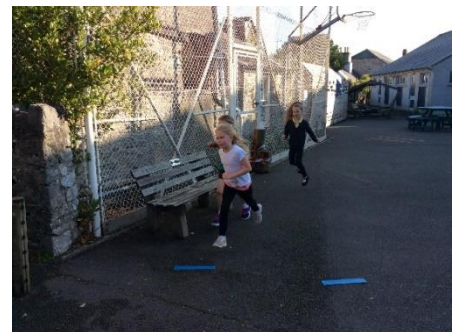
Year 5 have learnt how to do animations with Mrs Pen-Collings. I was really impressed with how creative the children were using Lego figures and other toys to create their animations. They had to take a lot of photos to even get a 10 second piece of animation!

Lastly, I would like to say thank you to all the families in Year 4 who have put in so much hard work to create some fabulous home learning. The children are really proud of what they have produced and the variety of shields has been brilliant. I have added a couple of pictures to the newsletter to give you a flavour of what I have seen walking around school!

Exiting the School Site

We are adjusting our arrangements for the end of the day to support families leaving the site and reduce the backlog of parents waiting on the steps.

From Monday 12th October, any families with a pushchair can leave the school site through the top gate. This should reduce the number of families exiting down the steps and make it



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easier for any parents with pushchairs. This is **only** for families with pushchairs.

As it will be against the one way system, we ask that any families with pushchairs wait until most parents have arrived before leaving. This is so that there is not a new traffic jam at the bottom of the ramp by Year 1 and Reception. We will be monitoring the success of the new arrangements over the course of next week before deciding whether to continue with it.

COVID-19 Update

As you are aware, we had a positive test earlier in the week. I would like to reassure you that we have had **no further positive tests** since then.

Parent Survey

Thank you for all the responses to the Parent Survey which Malcolm Cowper has been sending out. I have included the link on this newsletter if you haven't completed it. The survey doesn't take long and gives the school some valuable feedback.



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Roald Dahl Day – Friday 23rd October

Friday 23rd October is the last day of this half term and it is also Roald Dahl Day. As a love of reading is such an important part of children's learning, we will be making that a special focus for the day. Mr Pepper and Mrs Smerdon (our librarian) are organising activities which the children will take part in. Alongside this, children are welcome to dress up on the day as a Roald Dahl character if they wish. We look forward to seeing some fun costumes!

Have a great weekend,

Eddie Brown

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