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## Newsletter - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Full School re-opening:

A separate newsletter will accompany today's newsletter detailing the full opening of school on 8<sup>th</sup> March.

### World Book Day:

We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. It will be delivered slightly differently this year due to the current situation. All children in school and at home will participate.

- Each year group will plan activities across the day using the World Book Day website <https://www.worldbookday.com/>
- Live sessions on this day will revolve around books.
- Mrs O'Callaghan will do a pre-recorded assembly and post it on Showbie.
- Extreme reading challenge - reading in unusual places. Upload a photo onto Showbie. Remember no faces please (see last page of the newsletter).
- Whole school competition! The Potato Challenge! Decorate a potato as a book character and upload a photo to Showbie. Competition opens on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March and closes on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. The winner will be announced via the school newsletter on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March and posted on our Facebook page. There will be one winner from each year group, and they will receive a gift voucher. [Click here to view the Potato Challenge PowerPoint!](#)

### COVID Reminder:

Please can we remind you that if an adult or other member of the household is going for a COVID test you must not send your child into school while you wait for the results. Please all stay at home until you receive your results.

### Return of Devices:

If you have borrowed a device from school for your child's Remote learning, please see the table below informing you the date to return it. Please only return your device on the date allocated to avoid congesting the office, wear a face covering and adhere to social distancing. Please ensure your device is fully charged so it can be checked on return. If you have borrowed a charger, please also remember to return the charger as well. IMPORTANT: the device MUST be returned directly to the school office by an adult to be signed back into school. DO NOT send the device to class with your child. Thank you.

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Year 1 - AM	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Year 2 - AM	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Year 3 - AM	Year 4 - PM
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Year 5 - AM	Year 6 - PM
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Reception - AM	

### Safeguarding:

If you have any safeguarding concerns about any of our children, please contact Mrs Murray on 07469 402630.



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**Showbie/Remote Learning:**

Please find useful links below to support parents with Remote Learning:

[Top tips to support parents with remote learning](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19?utm_source=16%20February%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19) - Short YouTube video from Department for Education  
[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19?utm\\_source=16%20February%202021%20C19&utm\\_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm\\_campaign=DfE%20C19](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/supporting-your-childrens-education-during-coronavirus-covid-19?utm_source=16%20February%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19) - Government Guidance  
[https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/Publications/Covid-19\\_Resources/Resources\\_for\\_schools/7\\_Top\\_Tips\\_to\\_Support\\_Reading\\_at\\_Home.pdf](https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/public/files/Publications/Covid-19_Resources/Resources_for_schools/7_Top_Tips_to_Support_Reading_at_Home.pdf) - Top tips for parents reading with their child at home.

Please find below the Showbie 'live' timetable for w/c 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

	9-9:30AM	9:30-10:00AM	10:00-10:30AM	10:30-11:00AM	11:00-11:30AM	1:00-1:30PM	1:30-2:00PM	2:00-2:30PM	2.30-3:00PM
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> March		5L	5B	5R		2G			4S
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	4D				2A				4ND
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		Year 1			Nurture Room	RR	RN	RL	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	6AB	6C	6W		2HP	3O	3WH	3V	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> March		30/3WH /3V class code D9BYR	Year 1						



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## World Book Day Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021

One of our activities is a  
**Get Caught Reading Challenge.**

We would like the children to find unusual places to read close to home and send us their photographs. . Will you read under the bed, up a tree, in your den, in the bath or on a swing?

I'm sure you'll have better ideas than us.

**Please upload your photographs to the Year group Showbie page.**

We can't wait to see how you get on!

