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Friday 12th March 2021

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of our first full week back at school together and it has been wonderful to see the children all back together once more. I hope that you have had a lovely week as you have transitioned back into the routine of full time school once more; I can imagine that it has been a very different week for many of you.

Welcome Back

Thank you for all of your support in helping to prepare your child/children for the full return to school. There have been so many smiles this week, from both the children and staff, and it has felt like one big, happy school family once again. A special thank you to Mrs Jeffery and the children who have been attending school in Oak class for preparing such a beautiful Welcome Back banner for the children. It was so important to them that the children recognised how much they had been missed and this banner certainly helped to represent that.



The Wider Curriculum

We have continued to move forwards with the wider curriculum this week to continue to ensure that the children are engaging in a wide variety of opportunities to continue to develop their knowledge in a wide range of subject areas. As always, you can find out more about what the children are learning in school through our class curriculum booklets which can be found on our website here: <https://dunsford-lap.co.uk/learning/curriculum/>

This week saw Music lessons commence with Mrs Todd and we also welcomed Mr Blurton to our Dunsford family. Mr Blurton is teaching piano and guitar to some of our children and it is wonderful to welcome him.

In addition to this, the school has been filled with singing this week. This is an area which I know both the children and families really enjoy and I am so pleased that we are able to do this in a way which ensures that we are continuing to keep children and staff safe.

Mr Coupe also returned this week to commence PE lessons. The children were so excited to see Mr Coupe and it was wonderful to see them continuing to develop their teamwork skills. We will



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continue to monitor government guidance relating to schools and we will communicate with you once extra-curricular activities are able to begin once more.

Next week will be welcoming Mrs Twelvetrees back to Dunsford to commence our Forest School sessions. We are really excited to be able to offer this provision to the children once more and we are hoping that the weather will be glorious!



Parent Consultations

Next week we are holding Parent Consultations on Monday 15th and Wednesday 17th March. Teachers are really looking forward to meeting with you and sharing the learning journey of your child/children so far. If you haven't yet booked an appointment, please do contact Mrs Sinton in the office and she will be more than happy to support you. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

Celebration

I would like to share some very exciting news with you. On the last day of the Autumn term, Henry had a letter waiting for him when he arrived home from school. It was a very special, exciting letter containing...his Blue Peter Sport Badge 2020! Henry was awarded this very special badge for cycling over 750 miles during lockdown (between March and August). This is a marvellous achievement and we couldn't be more proud of him. What a brilliant achievement Henry- you are an absolute superstar!



From all of us here at Dunsford, we hope that you have a lovely weekend. Thank you for all that you continue to do- what a very special school family we have!

Kind regards,

Mrs. Guntrip

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Head of Academy