

Pott Shrigley Church School Church of England Aided Primary



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"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you" Ephesians 4:32

Dear parents,

I hope that you are all well.

We were delighted to welcome some children back into school this week and we have already done lots of artwork, walked the dog and been to the farm!



The children played in the forest school area, saw some new-born lambs and fed two older lambs who Rose had already met before.





Mrs Turner, Miss Wray and Mrs Novacki have been keeping up with all your work on Tapestry and Mrs Blackwell has delivered some activities on paper for KS2 children. Attached to this email is some information from the Education Library Service. The newsletter is generally for teachers but there is some useful home school information and book recommendations. The summer reading challenge is also mentioned and I would encourage you to join in virtually – please see info below:



It's (almost) here! <u>The Summer Reading Challenge</u> will run from June to September, launching on **Friday 5th June** with a virtual <u>Let's Get Silly programme</u> running from the Summer Reading Challenge's <u>Facebook page</u>. The launch will feature special super silly readings, family activities and draw-a-longs from guest celebrities and authors! Keep an eye on the Reading Agency's <u>Twitter account</u> for more announcements.

Always a highlight of the summer, this year's digital challenge aims to deliver some much-needed fun and silliness, bringing children, families and communities together through the joy of reading. Parents and carers can find out more about the Challenge <u>here</u>, while schools can read up on how to participate <u>here</u>.

Public libraries will be running an exciting range of virtual events and activities to accompany the Challenge. Follow <u>ecwaclibraries</u> and <u>eCECLibraries</u> for the latest updates. We'll also be joining in on the silliness <u>eCheshireELS</u>.

Children can sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge from Friday 5th June by visiting **www.sillysquad.org.uk**. #LetsGetSilly #SillySquad2020

I brought my dog, Maya, into school on Thursday. She was very well behaved (apart from when snack time came around) and the children enjoyed walking her around the cricket field although, being a husky, she mostly ran/dragged them. There has been quite a lot of research into the benefits of school dogs (this link is one of many which sets outs what these benefits might be https://www.dogsforgood.org/community-dog/community-dogs-

schools/community-dog-for-schools-benefits/) and I thought that she might help the children to settle back into school. The staff seem to rather like her too! We discussed safety around the dog with the children and will continue to remind them of this every time she visits. The dog remains my responsibility at all times and the children's interactions with the dog will always be supervised by an adult. If your child has particular allergies or an aversion to dogs or if you have any other concerns, please let me know. If you need anything or want to ask questions about work, please email <u>admin@pottshrigley.cheshire.sch.uk</u> and your query will be answered as soon as possible.

You are all in our thoughts and prayers every day.

Stay safe.

Kind Regards

Joanne Bromley

Dates for your diary June 15th Reception start back at school June 22nd Year one start back at school June 29th June Year 6 start at school