

OLD FLETTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly update - Monday 6th September 2021

Latest news:

Welcome back! It was certainly a calm and orderly start to our new normal this morning. I was very impressed with how positively our children came back to school. A special mention to our Reception children starting with us today as they embraced the challenge of their first day at school - they did so with such confidence!

Staffing

Mr Dickson - Sid Dickson is recovering from his second cardiac surgery at Great Ormond Street Hospital. Mr Dickson will be absent from school whilst he supports his family during this time. As you can appreciate there is no set date for his return. If you have any meetings arranged or SEND queries please telephone the school.

Catering - As I mentioned on Marvellous Me over the weekend this is proving a challenge. A big thank you to Woodston Primary School who were willing to offer some support should all else fail. I have however secured cover and I will send a menu covering meals for Wednesday to Monday as soon as possible and confirm tomorrow will be baked potatoes with various toppings.

Office - Miss Smith and I did our best to field the many phone calls coming into the office. Unfortunately, Mrs Wallace and Mrs White are both absent (not Covid related) so please bear with us as we do our best to answer your queries as quickly as possible. We all look forward to normal business resuming soon! 😊

Ofsted

No-one likes an Ofsted phone call on the first day back to school however, I was contacted on Wednesday (our first training day) and informed that our draft report was available for review. The long wait is due to the summer holidays and I expect the final report to be available to you and the general public very soon.

Training Days

In our training days we covered annual safeguarding training, behaviour management, the importance of story telling, marking and feedback, lesson structure and quality teaching in maths.

Diary dates:

Wednesday 15th September - Y1 Phonics & Reading meeting
Thursday 23rd September - Reception Phonics & Reading meeting

Reminders

Please ensure all new items of school uniform are labelled.

Attendance

Improving attendance is still a priority in school and we do appreciate your help in working with us to achieve this.

Attendance data is regularly monitored and each week we will continue to report the class % for the previous week here.

Please remember to telephone the school office in the morning to report any absence.

Lexia Core5

Lexia continues to be part of our homework provision and we will be monitoring usage closely. For parents not familiar with this, Lexia is a personalised reading programme for Y2-Y6 designed to meet the needs of each individual child. Please encourage your child to complete their Lexia targets as high levels of reading ability are a key indicator of future academic success.