



Newsletter 11-7th May 2021



Congratulations to all our stars

Nursery: Ava, Lucinda

Blackbirds: Ferne, Niamh

Owls: Ben, Scarlett

Robins: Owen, Esme

Parents Evening Telephone Calls

You should have all received an email with appointment times, date and a request to confirm that the time given is convenient. Please can you inform the school office as soon as possible if there is a problem, so that an alternative can be provided where possible.

Robinwood Y3 & Y4 – Residential 2022

Deposit needs to be paid via parent pay by Friday 14th May to secure a place on next year's trip.

Royal mail stamp competition Heroes



Children in Blackbirds, Owls and Robins are taking part in the Royal Mail design a Heroes stamp design competition. An email has been sent out to parents informing them of GDPR. If you would prefer for your child not to have an entry please let us

know no later than

Friday 14th May.

PE

Please can your child come to school in their PE kits. We recommend that they wear track suit bottoms rather than shorts, with a warm top and need to have suitable footwear. P.E. will take place on the following days:-

Blackbirds:

Reception children Thursday **and Friday**

Nursery children Friday

Owls:

Tuesday, Friday- outdoor learning so they can wear clothes that are warm and can get mucky. They will need wellingtons (which can be left in school) and waterproofs.

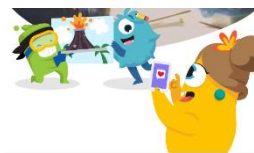
We will be doing PE on a Friday afternoon with the sports coach so please remember to bring trainers as these sessions will be taking place outdoors.

Robins:

Monday

Thursday with the Staindrop Sports Coach.

Class Dojos



Please check on your child's profile to see some of the things that they have been learning about and watch out for any class notices that are displayed.

Home testing kits

An email was sent out earlier this term to all parents with information regarding home test kits please find the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

WANTED!

Blackbirds have asked if you have any plastic play fruit that you no longer need could you please donate to the early years.

A reminder to bring reading books in every day so that children can be heard to read.



Learning around school

Looking for signs of spring



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Owls have been looking at changes that are taking place around the school grounds from the pond to the trees. In class we have been learning about non-fictional texts and

fractions.

In Blackbirds' class this week, we collected sticks and stones from the outdoor area to build a bug house. We talked about what minibeasts would live in our bug house and looked at the different habitats that insects live in.

Robins Class enjoyed a very creative afternoon constructing junk models of their ideal school. This is an initiative from the building firm 'T.Manners and Sons'. Although the children's creations are currently 'work in progress' they will be photographed and displayed on a special banner – watch this space!



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