



Welcome to the first newsletter of this half term and the penultimate newsletter of home/remote learning - I just hope you haven't given up the gin for Lent. I'm sure I heard the "chink" of many glasses on Monday night!

As you now know, we will be welcoming the children back to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Our absolute priority will be to make sure that they are happy and their emotional wellbeing. We will, of course, be looking at the academic aspects but this will follow on. Over the coming weeks and months, restrictions will be eased and we can all get back to some "normality" - we've got some exciting ideas and plans for the summer term!

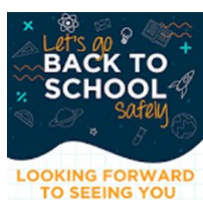
Have a lovely Weekend

Iestyn Lewis

## Fleur Bear's new "look"



## Return to School Update.



On Wednesday, I sent information out via e-mail about the return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. This is also on the school website, along with other information, under the tab "Covid-19 Information." If you have any questions, queries, worries or anxieties, please contact us in complete confidence and we will do everything we can to help.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR CHILDS SCHOOL LUNCH / SNACK



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## Science Competition



Design a lunchbox to keep your lunch cool. Think about the materials you're going to use, why you've chosen them and you may want to think about keeping your design eco-friendly. All information will be set on Class TEAMS pages.

## Remote Learning and TEAMS

Teaching staff have started setting some work on the Assignments function of TEAMS - We are going to use this for assessment purposes and so there will be some Maths assessment and final writing tasks set. This is so that Teachers can support their formative assessments with a summative assessment to feed into the tracking of attainment and progress. Please make sure you complete these tasks and submit them back to the Class Teachers via the assignments function.



This will be an opportunity to have a conversation with class teachers. It will be a bit of a "Reverse" parents evening this time, giving you the chance to feed back to staff where you feel your child(ren) are at, what their successes have been during this lockdown and what area of development you would like them to focus on.

## Survey - Remote Learning

Before half term, I sent out an online survey about our remote learning provision. I've had a number of super responses and already I'm seeing a very positive trend. If you haven't done so already, To help us make sure we're providing the right support for you and your child, we'd like to know your thoughts on our approach to home learning.

This will help us to:

Find out what we're doing well and where we could do better

Make sure we're meeting your needs and the needs of your children

Information has been sent to you about completing a Remote Learning survey. You can find the survey on the school website with your login details. It should only take you a few minutes to complete. If you have no additional comments, you will just need to type a character into the box in order to be able to proceed to the next question. We have also attached the survey in Word format so if you prefer to fill the survey in this way, please email it back to us at [ilewis@smallwood.cheshire.sch](mailto:ilewis@smallwood.cheshire.sch) or [admin@smallwood.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@smallwood.cheshire.sch.uk)

## **Cheshire wildlife trusts annual calendar photography competition.**

Please see the attached information.



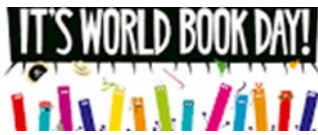
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## Upcoming Events



Week Commencing 1<sup>st</sup> March - Science Week



Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day - Activities planned



Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March - All children return to school



Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March (in school) - M&M Theatre Performance - The Wizard of Oz. Restrictions permitting



Week Commencing 15<sup>th</sup> March - Parents Evenings



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Comic Relief - Carnival themed dressing up