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Dear parents/carers,

After consolation with our health and safety lead for the MAT, next week we will be opening 5 days a week to facilitate learning to more children. School is full on all 5 days with 4 children based in class 1 and a further 5 children in class 2. For those children who will be returning to school on Monday for the first time, we ask that your child/ren come to school in school uniform (unless they have out grown it). If this is the case we ask that they come in comfortable clothing suitable to move around in as they could be participating in PE lessons throughout the day.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch, drinks bottle, sun hat and coat. Our 2 m social distancing rules still apply at present in school and children will be placed in a 'bubble' with other children and adults for the whole day. They will be asked to work from their own workstation and will be provided with their own set of resources, so do not need to bring pencils and pens from home. All the children will be provided with a laptop to access our remote learning on class dojo and staff will be available in each room to help support children with this learning.

Break times and lunchtimes will be spent within their own class 'bubble' and even when the children are on the playground they will be asked to keep the 2m distancing from other children within their bubble. The children already attending school have come up with creative games and activities to do on the playground whilst keeping their 2m distance from their peers.

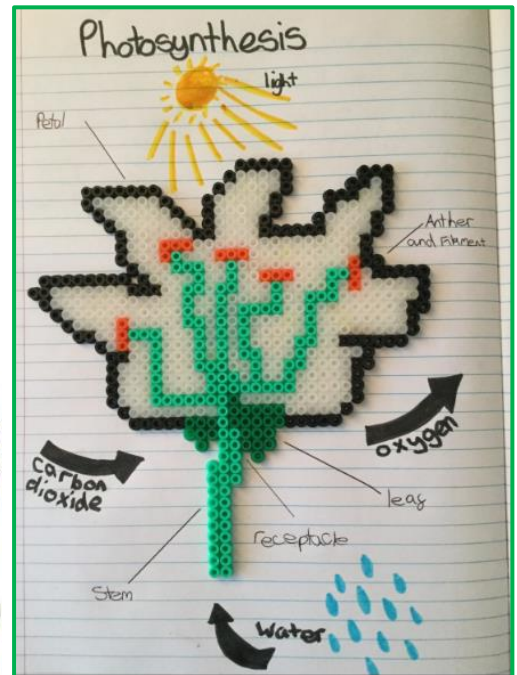
We ask that parents use the line markings outside the school to follow our 2m distancing rules when dropping their children off at 8:45am and school pick up at 3:30pm. From next week, children who will be working in class 2 bubble will be sent to access their classroom down the lane and through the fire door in class 2. Only children who are in class 1 bubble will access the building through the main front door. This is to prevent a large group of children accessing the building at once.

If you have any further questions you need to ask, please do not hesitate to contact me directly through my email: headofschool@northlew.devon.sch.uk

Have you met a new challenge and conquered it?

We would like to continue sharing with you some of the fantastic things the children of Northlew have been up to over the last few weeks. It is lovely to see that the children are still demonstrating our Christian values through these difficult times, whilst learning lots of new skills along the way.

Sienna was wonderfully creative with her science learning on photosynthesis and decided to make a beautiful diagram of a lily using Hama beads.



Millie has been using a lot of her maths skills to carefully measure out ingredients and using lots of creativity to make beautiful, delicious looking cakes throughout her time learning at home. Millie has adapted recipes and carefully iced and decorated cakes. Keep up the super baking Millie.



Grace Foulger spent a long time designing her own flower taking inspiration from a rose and adapting it to create her own unique flower. It is really nice to see how people are enjoying their art with their home learning and spending a long time to do it to the best of your ability. Well done Grace, this is lovely.



Microsoft teams' meetings

I am hoping to have contact with every child who is currently not attending at Northlew next week through the Microsoft teams app. This will give children the opportunity to see their peers and have a chat about what they have been up to whilst learning remotely at home. Please have a look at the letter that was emailed yesterday or on the class dojo as I have posted the details on there today. It would be great to see as many of the children as possible and allow them to interact with each other remotely before the end of term. The timetable is also within the letter which will allow you to see the day and time of your child's 30 min session with children within their year group.

Our message from the children and staff

A huge thank you to all the children and parents for your efforts with your beautiful portrait pictures. They have been displayed at the front of the school for everyone to see and a constant reminder that the staff at Northlew miss you all and can't wait to see you all again soon.

Forest School Donations

Once again, if you have any old pallets, logs etc that you can donate to help continue to develop our forest school area, then please place them over the gate of the playground. The staff and children who are in school over the next few weeks will be reorganising our fantastic outside space in the forest school sessions. We hope to begin the work on our outside spiritual area in the autumn term. Children have been busy designing ideas of what this could look like.



Mrs Johnstone's fund-raising efforts!

Last Saturday Mrs Johnstone was extremely brave and daring and shaved off all her hair to raise money for **Macmillan Cancer Support**. So far, she has raised an unbelievable **£1,285** which is already above her initial target of £500. The village shop in Northlew has kindly offered to sell some marmalade that Mrs Johnstone has made and any donations would be warmly welcome. I think that you would agree with me that she definitely rocks her new look!

Mental Health and Well being

As weeks have turned into months, we do appreciate that supporting your children at home with their learning can be extremely difficult. It is important that we look after ourselves in order to help other people in our family. The link below has some useful videos and activities you may want to look at with your children:


<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

Keep in Touch

Staff meet regularly to discuss ways we can help to support parents to support their children. If you do feel you need to talk to a member of staff please do contact us directly through the class dojo site or email - admin@northlew.devon.sch.uk and we will get back to you. Once again on behalf of the team at Northlew, we would like to thank you for all your hard work, support and encouragement of your child/ren's home learning in these strange and challenging times.

Take care, stay safe and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Cook



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SUMMER ORDERING INFORMATION
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear parent,

Now that the focus is shifting to schools returning in September we urge you to consider your uniform requirements now to avoid disappointment.

With the effect the COVID-19 virus has had on businesses worldwide, including our own, we are sending out these reminders earlier than usual. We predict a large bottleneck of last minute uniform orders from parents so we recommend you start planning any uniform requirements you may have sooner rather than later.

In the interests of safety we are only offering home deliveries (delivery to school has been suspended). All orders placed will be processed on a 'first come first served' basis in the interest of fairness. Like most other businesses, the COVID/Lockdown situation is having an effect on our lead times. Our current cut-off date for orders to be delivered before the new term (Sep 2020) is 7th Aug 2020. **Note however that this can no longer be guaranteed so we urge you to place your orders a.s.a.p.**

Thank you for your continued custom.

The Brigade Team.