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Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that two thirds of the way through May, we are enduring blustery winds and rain showers. Indeed, it has definitely been a Winnie the Pooh blustery day!

Indoors the children are busily getting on with their learning and staff are working hard to address the 'gaps' in learning that occurred as a result of the lockdown. Children's self esteem as learners, their confidence to tackle work independently and their resilience has all been dented as well as staff needing to 'fill the gaps' in their educational experiences. As parents, you are already doing so much but I would ask that you try and find more time to read with and read to your child. The power of language, both written and spoken, opens up so many doors and opportunities.

Drop off and pick ups in the morning and afternoon and dogs

Please, it is not safe to park up on the yellow lines and drop off your child, sending them across the road to run into the playground. Please do not do it.

It is illegal to stop on the zig zag lines across the school entrances and again, it is not safe to let your child out of the car and let them run into the playground unaccompanied.

We require all children to be brought onto the school premises by an adult which was the same before we had the Covid situation and is even more important now.

If you need to use a vehicle, please plan to have time to park up safely and walk the extra distance with your child and keep your child and all our other children as safe as possible.

Please refrain from blocking the school entrance and exit areas with your dog(s). Ideally, do not bring your dog with your when it is time for school. As you are unable to bring your dog on site, please arrange for a trusted adult to accompany your child onto the school site or collect your child on your behalf (please let school know who this will be). Staff cannot come to the gate with your child.









There is a whole weekend to look forward to and I hope that you find joy splashing in puddles or cosying up at home in the warm with a book. I have some planning and ordering to do and will tell you more about that in my newsletter next week.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E A Hill

Head Teacher

