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A message from the head.....

It is nice to see the sunshine back and the children at care club have loved playing out in it as well as a visit from ice cream Joe! Thank you also for all the lovely messages about our video this week!

It has been a very busy week at school as we prepare for the potential re-opening to some year groups. The staff at school have been amazing getting the school ready for the children, a huge thank you to them. Getting Great Denham ready for re-opening is a different level of challenge to many schools due to the immersive nature of all our classrooms but we are nearly there! The last time I remember such tiredness from moving so much furniture was the weekend leading up to the opening of the school in 2012!

Thank you to all the parents who have completed the form to say if you plan to send your child back or not (from the year groups opening). A number of parents have asked who will be teaching each bubble – I should be able to share this information with you towards the end of next week once we have finalised our staffing. Please can I remind everyone to make sure you have done this by next Thursday at the latest. If you would like to read any of the government guidance on the planned re-opening of schools I have created a page on our school website with all the government documents, the page is called COVID-19.

Today we have had staff meetings all morning where we went through our extensive risk assessments with all of the staff who will be working in each of the bubbles. Please let me assure you that staff will not be mixing between bubbles and we have a robust plan in place to support the safety of both our children and our staff.

For the year groups who will remain at home we will be in touch after half term with the plans for home learning. Next week is half term (although school remains open for key worker children) so the teachers will be taking a break from checking seesaw every day so please do not feel pressure to upload work! Enjoy a week off!

Have a nice weekend,
Denise Burgess
Headteacher



Staff news

We have recently held interviews for an internal post in our school. I am delighted to inform you that Miss Neale has been appointed to be our Assistant Head for Early Years from September – congratulations!



