

Dear Families,

WELCOME BACK!

I can't begin to tell you all how wonderful it is to see our classrooms full and busy again. What a joy! Our children seem to be loving being back at school; even those with initial reservations. As we promised, we are taking every opportunity to provide chance for pupils to talk and work together.

I am hoping that next steps will allow pupils to eat lunch and play together at both schools in the near future. It would also be fabulous to look further ahead and consider whole federation events. In the meantime we are urging you all to continue to patiently follow the rules, as we are doing. (More and more staff are being vaccinated which offers further reassurance over time.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/prime-minister-sets-out-roadmap-to-cautiously-ease-lockdown-restrictions>

We are trying to introduce more normality into our school day. We have had Chance to Shine Cricket in both school this week and this will continue for all until the Easter break.

On fine days there will be a clothes swap rail out at Warthill as per the message that went out.

Classes are preparing a little something for Easter to share with families. This may not be as 'huge' as the Christmas event as time is limited, but something is on the way.

Sand Hutton PTA are preparing a Treasure Hunt which can entertain families over Easter. Further details about how this works and how to purchase the treasure hunt sheets will be made available next week.

I am so looking forward to being able to have news to share with you as restrictions lift further. In the meantime, keep doing what you're doing and stay safe.

Best wishes

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