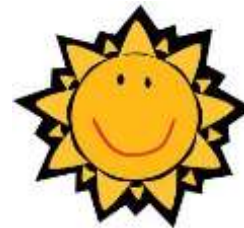


Cantrell Primary School

Newsletter 10th July 2020



We hope you are well and still staying safe! It won't be long until the summer break begins, I know you have been doing your best to keep up with the school packs and home learning and are ready for a well-earned break. We won't be setting work for the holidays, but we would love you to get creative and keep active during the five weeks. Reading will be essential, as this will help you relax and also keep your skills sharp!

School officially **finishes on Friday 24th July** and we return to school, **yes all of us**, on **Thursday 3rd September**. Yippee!!

Children starting in Reception classes in September will receive a pack next week with details of their start and finish times.

We would like to invite each class back for a socially distanced meeting with their old teacher and collect the end of year report in the last week of term. It will only be for half an hour, but a chance for them to say hello and perhaps meet their new teacher too! We understand if you don't want to bring them and are still staying safe at home, we will post your report to you.

Early next week we will text you a date and time slot for you to drop your child off.

As ever please check the school website for updates at admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk, or direct any specific queries to admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk.

Message from Mr Surman

"A big hello to year 4,

Mr Surman here writing with a quick note to say hello to you all and to let you know that I am missing you, your families and teaching you more than you can believe. I hope you are all keeping safe, protecting yourselves, your families and your friends. I'm sure you'll all have some fantastic stories to tell me when we meet again.

Thank-you for completing the home study booklets that we are providing each fortnight. Remember to complete your daily Mathletics, TTRockstars and Fiction Express work. There are lots of on-line lessons with the National Oak Academy and BBC Bitesize sites. The school website is updated daily, and we have set different challenges for you to join in with.

Please feel free to send in some pictures of your experiences at home that I can share on social media. Send to ralph.surman@neu.org.uk; I know that year four are the cleverest year group in school!

I also hope that you are finding time for experiencing the enjoyment of reading. Reading makes you happier and cleverer. As an avid reader growing up in the 1970's I found this to be invaluable in developing my knowledge about people, places and events both real and imaginary. I have always found that the more knowledge you have the better equipped you will be to face daily challenges.

Since we were last together in March, I have read both fiction and non-fiction books. I am also undertaking some research work linked to a family member who sadly died at Passchendaele. I have found researching my family history fascinating and it might be something you have a go at doing.

Anyway, I must go now and help my own children with their English and maths home study work. I think like everyone else they have struggled at different times with this. They do enjoy the craft work, drawing and painting and being outside. It's important to have lots of fun and also help everyone at home. Stay safe.