FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Governors

At this point in the year I am normally welcoming everybody back to a long and busy Summer Term. Obviously things are not quite the same this year, but I will say welcome back in spirit.

With the start of the Summer Term, the teaching staff will now be adding distance learning tasks onto Word-Press for the children every day in order that they can feel some sense of belonging with their teachers and classmates and some sense of progress. Please do not feel pressure to complete all of these tasks, they are there simply to give you an idea of activities that will move the children forward.

At this point can I say a huge thank you the many, many parents who have been in touch to say how much they have appreciated the efforts of the teachers and teaching assistants in keeping in touch with the children through daily tasks and telephone calls. It is good to know that the systems we have set up are helping so many families to keep some sense of structure in these difficult times.

Colin Townsend

It is with a real sense of sadness that I have to communicate some very sad news, which some of you may already be aware of. Just over a week ago, Colin Townsend, who was caretaker at Four Oaks for over 26 years passed away due to Coronavirus. He had been in hospital for two weeks and very sadly lost his battle with this terrible condition. Colin only retired from Four Oaks four years ago and often still visited school to visit old friends, both staff and pupils. He was a larger than life character who will be very sadly missed.



If any of our families have been affected by sad news surrounding Coronavirus please remember that we are here to help in any way we can, so please feel free to contact school if you need either a listening ear, or you think we can help in some way.

Welcome to our New Reception Families

Thursday 16th April saw our new Reception families receive their offers of a place at Four Oaks Primary for September 2020. We have now contacted all of these families with a personal phone call and look forward to welcoming them into our Four Oaks Family very soon. Keep an eye on our website and in future newsletters to keep track of any Induction procedures during this unusual Summer Term.

Sutton Coldfield Fire Station

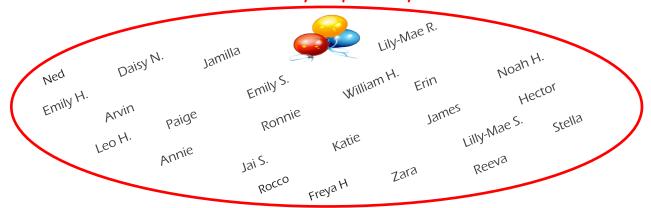
Sutton Coldfield Fire Brigade have posted the following message on social media which you may like to help them with:

"We are looking to decorate our station with some rainbows in support of @NHSuk and other key workers. If you would like to draw a picture and send it to us at the station please post it or email it to <u>Sutton@wmfs.net</u>. We look forward to putting them up!"

Free School Meals

For those families who are normally in receipt of free school meals I hope that you have received your tokens provided by Birmingham Local Authority and the National Government. If you have had problems getting these then please contact school at enquiry@fouroaksprimary.bham.sch.uk.

Infant Birthdays—April / May



If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.