



# In A Nutshell

Head Teacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2020 Week 3

Dear All,

Welcome back to the first week of Summer Term. I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and haven't eaten too much chocolate! We have really been blessed with some fantastic weather and I hope that this has helped in such a strange time.

We are all thoroughly missing the children and look forward to their return. We are still unsure as to how long we will remain closed, as soon as we know anything further, we will let you know.

Over Easter, school was open for children of Key Workers. As there were not many families who required care, we became the Hub school for some pupils from Woodlea and Tatsfield and it was lovely to meet them. Following this success, we have now continued with the provision and the children for the three schools are based in the Year 1/Rec building. There are between 10 and 17 children in each day ranging between aged 4 to 11!! This must have been very similar to how children were taught in the Victorian era!

The children have helped develop the forest school area. They have cleared a path, moved lots of dead wood and have built yet another den in there. The next phase is to clear the area for the main fire pit and put the seating around. This may take a while as it has to be a circle with a 4m diameter at least. The pond is settling now and we have our fingers crossed that a frog may hop by and we get some frogspawn!

The children are working really hard on Edmodo! It is good to see that they are engaging with their topics this term. I know Year 1 for example are learning about animal trails so that can have great fun in the forest school when they return!

We are now starting to welcome the families who have been offered places for Reception in September. We are very excited and can't wait to meet them too. Their Getting Ready for School will be slightly different this year but it doesn't seem a year ago that we were welcoming Inkpen children!

Great news to share is that our Trust Board has met and approved the Nursery to go ahead!! I am so excited that we have a school that ranges from 2 to 11. If you require a space or know someone who does, please spread the word and look out for details coming soon. Now... just to decide on a name!!!!

It is also with great sadness to let you know that Mrs Rigelhuth from the Breakfast and After School club will be leaving us this week. We wish her all the best in her retirement and that she stays safe and well. Please check the website regularly for any further updates and keep in touch.

Stay safe and well!

Mrs Mace