

## Bures Primary CEVC School

### Update for the Parish Councils – November 2020

As England continues into the second lockdown, let me give you a brief overview of what has been happening school-side, since I last wrote.

The School remains open and children maintain their “bubble groups” throughout the day. Drop off and collections are staggered, and parents are reminded of the need for social distancing at these times.

In September we welcomed Mrs Jan Plumstead to School as our new School Business Manager.

The Year Group topics this term are as follows:

**Reception:** Welcome to School and Me and My Family—Getting to know each other through lots of exciting activities.

**Years 1 and 2:** Home Sweet Home—lots of learning about the place we live in and the places animals live too.

**Year 3:** How to Train your Woolly Mammoth - Finding out about life in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

**Year 4:** Walk Like an Egyptian - Discovering how the Egyptians spent their time—a topic filled with gruesome detail.

**Year 5:** Groovy Greeks - Learning about the legacy of the Ancient Greeks as well as what the country is like.

**Year 6:** World War Two— Getting a flavour of what life was like for both soldiers and civilians.

The School has also run events to mark World Mental Health Day, Black History Month and Walk to School Week. And next week is ‘Art Week’, where the children will be involved in a variety of art activities and hopefully producing some fabulous pieces for the virtual art exhibition.

We all enjoyed watching the virtual Harvest Celebrations, led by Pastor Kath and members of the Baptist Church. Last week the children were involved in the virtual Remembrance Service, laying a wreath at the church on Friday and they will be sharing the two minutes silence tomorrow.

Virtual parent consultation sessions were held recently and of course this has helped further promote the use of visual technology across the school community.

Our temporary boiler is now in situ and the full replacement will be undertaken over the Christmas break.

We recently held a Parent Governor election. Mrs Lloyd was the successful candidate, and we look forward to welcoming her to our next virtual Governors meeting to be held in December.

Sadly, since the second lockdown, all after school clubs have had to be suspended.

Thank you for taking an interest in the School, especially as we gear up for Christmas within the Covid confines we need to be mindful of.

Kind regards,

Tim Fairbairn  
Chair of Governors  
10 November 2020