



# The Hoot

Friday 15th May 2020

As you will be aware since the announcement last Sunday, all schools are working towards reopening for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 from Monday 1st June. A letter has gone out to the parents of these year groups explaining our priority will be to keep our whole community safe—our children, staff and parents. In order for this to be possible, school will not be as it was before. All children will have to observe the social distancing expectation, there will be small groups of children sitting at tables in a classroom, with staggered break times and no group gatherings in the hall. The challenge is to support our youngest children to do this. These are such bewildering and unusual times and we continue to follow guidelines given to us to make the return possible. We have received such positive and supportive comments from parents and I can't tell you how greatly that is appreciated. Thank you.

## Reading

As you are probably aware, we have been given guidance that books should not be sent home due to the potential contamination of COVID 19. We are sure that you are making the most of the books you have at home and a world of print—on and off the screen! Packaging, magazines, instructions, recipes, letters ...the list is endless.

Oxford Owl website has a wonderful selection of reading material for our younger children.

Enjoy reading for pleasure—at every opportunity.



Hello to all you fabulous children. I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I have been hearing about some of the wonderful things that you are doing at home, beyond your learning packs.

This is a very exciting time of the year— when plants are set and the warm weather and occasional showers give them all they need to grow. Some of you have been planting flowers and seeds. I have too! I am growing tomatoes, peppers, chillies and herbs. I love watching everything rapidly grow and turn into something to bring colour to my garden or eventually eat for my lunch! Why don't you have a go at growing something you could eat in the summer? Keep a diary on what happens and how the seeds change as they grow.

I have been very excited this week .. There have been two robins feeding their five baby birds in my garden! I am feeding them constantly and fascinated watching the baby birds waiting ,with their beaks wide open, as the robins feed them with the food from the bird feeder I made.



Nature is wonderful—take a few moments in your garden or as you go for a walk and watch it all around you. Keep safe and keep being the best version of you.

*T. L. Vaygo*