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# Welcome to a very strange summer term!

I hope you have all been enjoying the sunshine we have had since lockdown began. I am now officially back from adoption leave and am starting to get my head round what life as a working mum will look like! Little man has settled in really well and we have loved the time we have spent together getting to know each other during lockdown. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff who have stepped up in my absence. I am sure you will agree they have done a fantastic job in such difficult circumstances.

#### Summer term 1

The Senior Leadership Team have decided to put together a 5 week plan even though the government have only given another 3 weeks for lockdown at the moment. We feel this will support you as families getting a routine into place and also support our staff as well. We will continue to stay open for our keyworker and vulnerable children during these 5 weeks. We will not be returning to school until we have been given offical guideance to do so. I know there are a lot of rumours circulating at the moment in the press, but we will always put the children's safety first.

During these uncertain times we know that our children's mental health may be comprimised. If you feel you need support with your child's mental health please contact a member of the pastoral team who can offer you support. The team are Miss Brago, Miss Churchman, Mrs Gordge and myself. You can contact us via email or the emergency safeguarding number that is on the school website.

#### **Newsletters**

Year leaders will be sending out a newsletter shortly letting you know the theme for the term ahead.

### **End of year reports**

The Senior Leadership team will be discussing our plan for end of year reports in our virtual meeting this week. As soon as we know our plan we will let you know. We feel it is very important for the children to have a report, but we are not sure how this will look yet.

## Loughton house system

After a lot of discussion, we have finally chosen the names for our house system. It was clear from those who emailed in that famous people were a favourite. We have linked the house names to some of the key people the children will learn about throughout their education with us here. I am pleased to announce that the house names are:

Shakespeare Attenborough Pankhurst Valentine

A letter will be coming home soon to let you know what house you will be in. We will also be launching the first competition on the class Padlets too.





