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| Bridgemere CE Newsletter  ‘I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me’  Philippians 4v13  May 2021 | | | **Dates coming up:**  May – 100 miles in May for Mind  Friday 28th May – Break up for Whit Holiday  Monday 14th June- Back to school  Tuesday 15th June – School Photographs, individual and class  Parent Council – Wednesday 23rd June 6.30pm  Sports Day – Monday 12th July  Provisional Sports Day – Wednesday 14th July  Year 6 Mystery Trip – Tuesday 13th July |
| Dear Parents and Carers,  I must say, it is lovely to get to the end of a half term without any disruption to school life! Advice from the local authority is that we still need to continue to operate in class bubbles in classrooms and outside. This is due to the new Covid variant that has recently come to light and the rising positive cases in the north of our area.  When the weather finally decides to brighten up we will all be able to meet as a school outside on the field. This is something I know we will be looking forward to doing.  Thank you for all your continued support with drop off and pick up.  From September, we are looking to continue the drop off system in the morning. Feedback from parents has been positive and it has certainly eased the congestion and parking along Bridgemere Lane in the morning.  **From the 14th June, we are going to trial drop off for everyone in the morning from 8.30-8.40am.** Please can we ask you to continue to drop your child(ren) off as promptly as you have been doing.  We will cone off the area by the side of the fence so children can exit cars and walk safely down to the gate. This means more children can be dropped off at one time and you do not need to wait to get to the front of the queue. Let’s see how it goes!  I wish everyone a lovely half term break whatever you are doing. Let’s hope the weather warms up and we can feel that summer has arrived!  **School Photographs**    Tuesday 15th June is school photograph morning. Your child will have their individual photograph taken alongside a whole class photograph. Please can you ensure that your child comes to school in their correct school uniform, thank you.  **Dot Art Competition**    Thank you to everyone who voted for our Year 5 competition entries in the Dot Art Competition. It is a pleasure to announce that Jack Kent has the most votes for his entry for Bridgemere. His artwork will now go forward to be judged against all the first place artists of all the schools that entered. Fingers crossed…watch this space! | **A new addition….**    We are very pleased to announce that after half term we will having a new school pet: a tortoise! The children are all very excited and this week have voted that her name is going to be Shelley. Shelley at the moment has gone back into hibernation as it is so cold, so we are hoping she will join us after the half term break. If there are any knowledgeable parents out there who know a lot about tortoises or would like to look after Shelley in one of the holidays please contact the school office, thank you.  **Sports Day**    We have provisionally booked the date of Monday 12th July for Sport Day. At the moment we have had no guidance from the local authority regarding whether we can run a normal Sports Day where parents can attend. As soon as we hear anything we shall keep you all informed.  **MIND – 100 miles in May**    All the children have been enjoying their challenge of '100 miles in May for Mind'. I know there are a lot of them who are very close to achieving their target. The children will bring their log sheets home with them over the half term break to continue. Please can they bring them back to school on the 14th June when we return, thank you. Please find the link below if you would like to donate:  <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/bridgemerece>  **Christian Values**    This half term our focused Christian vlaue has been love and kindness. From my meetings with the Worship Council it has been encouraging to hear stories of this value being put into action in and outside of school. Next half term we will be focusing on courage.  As always, if you have any concerns or queries regarding your child’s education, please do not hesitate to contact me.  Caroline Middleton  Headteacher |  |