



Sheerness West Federation Week Ahead 22 February 2021



Federation Message from Mr Cooper ...

We have made it to the half-term break! Thank you to all parents at home for helping your children with their home learning this term, to the critical key workers for keeping this country going and to our amazing staff for all their hard work and commitment, both in school (braving snowy journeys) and teaching from home, many with children of their own to help too! Please encourage children to try and take a break from devices as much as possible next week!

We will keep you up to date with news from the government about schools returning as and when we can, but as you know, we hear this information at the same time as you do. We have already planned the Home Learning ready for the first two weeks back in Term 4 (from Monday 22nd February) at home or at school.

W/b 22nd February

The survey has been completed by critical keyworkers for the first 2 weeks of term (up until Friday 5th March). Thank you once again for continuing to only send children into school when you absolutely have to.

All vulnerable children who have not been able to attend this week due to the snow and ice will be expected back in school after half term, as per last week's arrangements.

Thank you all for your overwhelming support over this difficult time, especially those with children unexpectedly unable to attend in this snowy week. Hopefully it will not be too long before all the children can safely return.

- **Lateral Flow Testing**

Please ensure your **child (aged 5 upwards) is tested before they come into school after half term, and preferably every 14 days**, or as regularly as you are allowed.

Please always let us know via Class Dojo if they were to test positive including if this is over the half term break. The staff are all doing self-tests at home twice a week too. The combination of all this continues to keep our community as safe as possible.

- **World Book Day**

World Book Day is on Thursday 4th March. To celebrate this we will be putting up lots of book filled activities for the day. If we were in school we would normally dress up, you are more than welcome to do this at home – the teachers and support staff would love to see this!

- **Finally,**

Have a well-deserved week off from home learning. Please stay safe, we look forward to “seeing” your children next term at school or on class Dojo on Monday 22nd February. Thank you.

Message for the children from Miss Ovenden and Mrs Mackay

As we reach the end of term you cannot help but to look back and reflect on what has been achieved over this last six weeks. We ended last term with comments such as, see you in January and next year

will feel more normal! A new year brings a sense of excitement and hope and now we are in February and there are a lot of you we have not seen in person! However, although it has been a different start to the year you have still amazed us with the learning you have been completing at home. The engagement with home learning has been incredible with you submitting some fantastic efforts and really having a go and we cannot ask for any more than that.

Over this half term please take the opportunity to relax and enjoy some family time, hopefully the weather is now on the turn and you will be able to get out in the garden or go on a walk and see all the new life shooting up around us.

To celebrate the successes of last term we will continue to send home positive postcards – these will come from anyone in the school that wants to recognise how well a child is doing during this time.

Have a lovely half term and stay safe 😊!

This week's letters/emails sent and on our website (<http://www.rose-street.kent.sch.uk/>) and (<http://www.west-minster.kent.sch.uk/>) were:

Updates regarding open and closing arrangements/survey (Published 08.02.21)
Daily snow updates

This week's Dates for your diary:

Future Dates

- Monday 22nd February – Start of Term 4
- Term 3 Thursday 4th March World book day (both schools)
- Monday 8th March – Science Week