



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 28th January 2022

Message from the Headteacher

Another sunny day to end the week – what a difference it makes!

Upcoming Events

We have some things in our school diary which we are looking forward to working on with the children. Letters with further details will be or have been sent out but a summary is below.

Friday 4th February [NSPCC Number Day](#)

Tuesday 8th February [Safer Internet Day](#)

Thursday 3rd March [World Book Day](#) – we will be dressing up as book characters so do start thinking about costumes!

Covid-19

Infection rates at school have stabilised with none reported in the last 24 hours (apart from one child who has not actually been at school since 20th January).

Huge thanks to you all for your continued patience, understanding and support. Do please continue to undertake LFTs with your child for the seven day period if they are in contact with a known case – either at school or elsewhere.

As a precautionary measure, and in light of ongoing high levels of staff absence, extra-curricular clubs will remain suspended for the remainder of this term and recommence on Monday 21st February when we return for Term 4.

Vacancies

We are currently advertising for a lunchtime supervisor and an after school childcare service supervisor. If you are interested in applying please use the Kent-teach.com link below to take you to the online application.

[Lunchtime Supervisor Teaching/Child Support at St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School, Dover \(kent-teach.com\)](#)

[After School Childcare Service Supervisor Teaching/Child Support at St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School, Dover \(kent-teach.com\)](#)

Playground Safety at school pick up

Following a couple of recent collisions on the playground at pick up time may I please remind you to ensure that any pre-school children are kept close to you and under your supervision.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Helen Comfort

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 31st January 2022

Lunch Menu – Week 2

CLUBS CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, 31st January – Before School Childcare Service cancelled





Message from Class 4

This week class 4 have focused our English learning around our poem Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen. We have learnt how Michael Rosen uses expression and actions to bring this poem to life when orally retelling it. Within Maths, we have focus on the concept of area and now have a clear understanding of what this is, how to measure area and how to compare area.

We have also looked at electrical circuits this week in Science. We worked with a partner to create a range of complete and incomplete circuits, where we were able to explain why and how they were either complete or incomplete.

Mrs Fairhurst

Star Awards

w/e 28th January 2022

Class 1 – Vinnie

Class 2 – Ines

Class 3 – Madeleine

Class 4 – Zander

Class 5 – Samuel

Class 6 – Oscar & Teddy



Year 6 Enterprise Week w/c 7th February 2022

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February**

**Valentine's themed gifts &
cards for sale for all**

More details to follow soon!

Coronavirus Symptoms

Updated Guidance

From 11 January in England, people without symptoms who receive positive lateral flow device (LFD) test results for coronavirus (COVID-19) will be required to self-isolate immediately and won't be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

Anyone who develops 1 of the 3 main COVID-19 symptoms should stay at home and self-isolate and get a PCR test (see below). They must self-isolate if they get a positive test result, even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test – these rules have not changed.

Children or staff with any of the three symptoms of Covid:

- a new continuous cough;
- a fever;
- a change in taste or smell

are to stay at home and isolate. They should get a PCR Covid test.

To get a test go online to:

[nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/) OR

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> OR

Telephone 111

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Daily testing for close contacts of COVID-19

People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time.

Keeping School Informed

If your child tests positive for Covid you must inform the school – by telephone on 01304 852639 during the school day. If your child tests positive 'out of hours' we do not need to know until the morning of the first day of absence – as with all sickness absence.

