



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 11th September 2020

Message from the Headteacher

Well Done Everyone!

This has proved to be a hugely successful week in many ways. Working together as an effective school community – children, parents and staff – we have established safe routines for arrival and dismissal; thank you to everyone for supporting these arrangements. We have also established with the children and staff safe routines for the working day from handwashing and sanitising to keeping ourselves safe in our dedicated bubbles. The families, children and staff have all been brilliant and I thank you all.

Attendance has been amazing this week as has punctuality with all children arriving on time and being collected on time.

Meet the Teacher

At this time of the school year we usually invite all families into school to meet their child's new class teacher. As you know we cannot do that this year so the teachers in Classes 1-6 have prepared newsletters and powerpoint presentations which we will publish on our school website for you - I will let you know when these are available. Reception Class families have already received a presentation as part of our induction work.

Coronavirus Symptoms

Your child must NOT come to school if they or anyone in their household has any of the main coronavirus symptoms - a temperature, a new cough or a change in taste or smell. If anyone has these symptoms a coronavirus test MUST be carried out.

To get a test go online to www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/ or telephone 111. There has been a huge increase nationally in the number of tests being requested so you will need to keep on trying until you have an appointment at a test centre or have arranged to receive a test by post.

Please keep the school informed regarding your child's absence and the outcome of the test. They are not to come back to school until they, or the person they live with who has symptoms, receives a negative result.

Homework

As with many aspects of our work this term we are taking a staged approach to re-establishing our routines.

You will appreciate that we need to manage very carefully items which children bring to and from home and school so this sets a degree of challenge regarding homework.

From today the following will happen depending on the age and stage of the child:

Children who are reading scheme reading books will bring a home reading book every **Friday** to be returned to school on the following **Tuesday**. These are to be kept in the plastic wallet provided in order to protect the books. On return the books will be placed in quarantine before being re-distributed, that is why we need them back in school on Tuesday.

Children who are reading a chapter book will have this in their possession to read at home and at school until they reach the end of it. They will keep this in their tray at school during the school day so that it is handled by just themselves.

Once the chapter book is finished it will be held in quarantine in class before being available for other pupils to choose.

We will not be using home-school reading records during this time. Please help your child to read at home; reading is such a very important skill and we appreciate your support with this.

With regards to other homework we continue to review plans and arrangements for this and will keep you updated.

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Administration of Medication

In the current circumstances it is preferable if school staff do not administer medication to children at school. If your child is prescribed a course of medication, e.g. antibiotics, which requires three doses during the day please, if possible, administer this when they get up, when they come home and at bedtime.

If your child has medication which has to be administered during the school day if you are able to come to school to administer it at the school gate that would be preferable. If you are not able to do this then please telephone the school office – you will be advised of paperwork to be completed and of how to send the medication into school. Please keep your child at home until you have spoken to a member of the office staff to make these arrangements.

Helen Comfort

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in September.

Alice	Year 2
Joshua	Year 5
Lewis	Year 5
Tristan	Year 1
Jack	Year 2
Isabella	Year 1
Esme	Year 1
Emmie	Year 5
Noah	Year 2
Violet	Year 2



The Week Ahead!

Lunch Menu – Week 2

Week commencing 14th September 2020

Monday, 14th September – Reception class to stay for lunch and then be collected at 1:35pm

Tuesday, 15th September - Reception class to stay for lunch and then be collected at 1:35pm

Wednesday, 16th September – Reception class to stay for lunch and then be collected at 1:35pm

Thursday, 17th September – Reception class to stay for lunch and then be collected at 1:35pm

Friday 18th September - Reception class to stay for lunch and then be collected at 1:35pm

