



12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Welcome back...**It has been fantastic to see all the children back in school this week. They have settled well in their reunited class bubbles. It has been great to see them back learning in the classroom with their teachers and teaching assistants.

Being back at school is a step in the right direction, enabling the children to mix, chat and socialise with their friends, something many of them have missed. We are all still living under very restricting lockdown measures, which are impacting on us all. We encourage you to contact us if there is anything you wish to discuss about your child or if you have any concerns.

### **Contacting us...**

Please can we ask that you contact us using the main email addresses rather than individual staff email addresses. We will do our best to reply to you as soon as possible.

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### **Home Learning, Learning Mats and Topic Webs...**

Our Spring Two Home Learning, Topic Webs and Learning Mats are available on our school website. These give a clear outline of what the children are learning. The Home Learning document is where you can find the children's weekly spellings and weekly Mathematics tasks. In addition, whilst we are not using our Computer Suite in the way we normally would. You will also find weekly computing tasks on the Home Learning document for the children to complete.

Many of you told us that it was beneficial during Lockdown to have more of an understanding of what the children are learning. The Home Learning, Topic Webs and Learning Mats, which are updated every half term on our website give more detail about what the children are learning. These links will take you to the correct place.

[EYFS Home Learning, Learning Mat and Topic Web](#)

[Key Stage One Home Learning and Learning Mat](#)

[Lower Key Stage Two Home Learning and Learning Mat](#)

[Upper Key Stage Two Home Learning and Learning Mat](#)

[Key Stage One Topic Web](#)

[Lower Key Stage Two Topic Web](#)

[Upper Key Stage Two Topic Web](#)

### **PE Days...**

On the days when your child has PE they need to come to school in their PE kit. This should consist of our school light blue t-shirt, a school jumper and whilst the weather is still cold a dark (black, navy or grey) pair of leggings or jogging bottoms/track pants. The children should also have trainers on for their PE day.

- UKS2 have PE on Friday
- LKS2 have PE on Wednesday
- KS1 have PE on Monday and Thursday
- F2 have PE on Tuesday

### **Staying Active...**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day. The children will be taking part in fun and active sporting activities. The children need to come dressed in PE clothes and trainers for the day.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March will be our Easter Bunny Dash; this will be similar to our Santa Dash that we held in December. However, this time it will be the exchange of a large egg, not a Christmas present! The children will need to come dressed in PE clothes and trainers for the day.

### **Free Rapid Lateral Flow Test Kits...**

Earlier in the week we shared information with you about ordering free rapid flow test kits. We were informed by Wirral Local Authority that if you wish, you can order kits to test your household, childcare bubble or support bubble if at least one member is a school or college pupil or works in a school or college. As a school we have no expectation that households have to participate in this. There are no requirements that primary school children need to test. If this is something you wish to explore further, the kits can be collected from a testing centre or sent to your home.

This link gives further information...

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

### **Infectious Period Definition...**

Within the Wirral Authority we have been following the Public Health England North West definition of infectious period, which used the marker of 48 hours. Public Health England North West has recently confirmed that they need to alter this definition to be in line with National Public Health England. Therefore, the definition is now as follows:

*A person is thought to be infectious from 2 days before symptoms appear and up to 10 days after they start displaying symptoms. The onset of infectious period is counted from the morning of the 2 days before the onset of symptoms and not 48 hours from the time of onset of symptoms. For example, a person who developed symptoms at 2pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> November would be asked to identify contacts from the morning of the 13<sup>th</sup> November onwards.*

If we are informed of any positive cases within school, we will be adhering to this in order to identify any close contacts.

### **Census 2021...**

The next Census is taking place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March. The Census is a survey that happens every 10 years and gives us a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales. This helps to plan and fund public services within different areas. By taking part in the Census it can support the local community to get the services it needs. The children will be taking part in

some Census 2021 activities on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March to learn more about it. Hopefully, they will be able to tell you what it is all about ready to complete your information on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

<https://census.gov.uk/>

<https://letscount.org.uk/en/>

### **Parents Evening...**

We want to give the children time to settle into school and have opportunities to be able to assess the children accurately. Therefore, we will be holding Parent's Evening in the first half of the Summer term. The meetings will be held on Teams. We will send more details about this nearer the time.

### **Dates...**

School Closes on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March for the Spring break for 2 weeks.

School will reopen on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April for the Summer Term.

Have a good weekend

Mrs E Bailey

Acting Headteacher