

*We will work in partnership to continue to build the unique foundations
for your child's learning"*

PARENTS NEWSLETTER

November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers;

I am writing this as another National Lockdown is announced. The school will remain open during this period. However, if you are advised to self-isolate because you have been in contact with someone who has tested positive, please stay at home. We will give out activity packs that will cover much of the work that we are doing in school. It is very important that you contact the school if you need one. We will also be starting to put some stories and songs/rhymes onto the website which will support the packs. Please talk to us if you are worried or concerned about the present situation.

It remains very important that if you, your child or anyone in your family has symptoms that you self-isolate according to the Government guidelines. Please inform us if you are doing this. **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU INFORM US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY HAS A POSITIVE TEST.**

Thank you for your support whilst we put in place the new start and finish times.

These seem to be working well. As well as asking you to wear masks I have now asked that any staff who are meeting the parents wear masks. This is for everyone's protection. They are not wearing them with the children.

WHITE LINES have been painted across each class room entrance. Please do not cross them unless you are settling a child.

Morning session children to arrive between 9.00- 9.15.

Morning children leave between 11.15 - 11.30.

Afternoon children arrive between 12.30-12.45

All children go home between 2.45 - 3.00

It is very important that the children are picked up by 3pm. Staff need to clean and to prepare for the next day.

If your circumstances have changed and you are finding things difficult, please talk to us. You might now be entitled to free school meals; (this would then mean that you could get the vouchers if the government issue them again during lockdown). We can also arrange for you to receive a food parcel. We are in daily contact with the Children's Centre and can access other support for you and your family. We are happy to try and support you any way we can.

A few reminders;

- Please make sure that your child's name is in their coat.
- **Applications for primary schools is now open.** You need to apply online. You can name up to 6 schools. Please contact Gill if you would like any help. The closing date is 15th January 2021.
- Please do not use your phone anywhere on the school site. We have put a clock on Space Room wall so you can see the time.
 - **Friday 13th November - Children in Need (details to follow).**
 - **Monday 16th November - School photographer.**

School Fund.

A very big thank you to everyone who gave us school fund last term. Your generosity is fantastic. We will be putting the money towards; cooking and dough making; snacks; and Christmas. You were also very generous with your contributions to 'Give racism the red card'. The total raised was nearly £100. We purchased books that have positive role models for all the children in the school. We are already using these.

Heritage week

We finished the first half of the term with our traditional, 'Heritage week' as part of our Black History focus. All of the staff would like to thank everyone who took the time to send us photos of the children dressed up. They have been displayed in the classrooms and we are looking at other ways that we can share the photos in the school.

Please look after yourselves and your family,
Stay safe; Gill and all the staff