

AVJS Bulletin: 29th April 2022

Another week and more Covid 19 guidance!

We have had some parents contact us asking about when a child can return to school after having Covid 19. Up until recently, the guidance was quite ambiguous with some saying it can be after three days and others saying after five days. The official government guidance was updated on 27th April and states: *If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.* Of course, much of this depends upon how the child is feeling and if they feel unwell, they should stay at home.

We have several ways in which we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The FOAV have organised for each year group to design a tea towel with self portraits of each child printed on them, we will be giving you more details soon. The FOAV will also be presenting each child with a Platinum Jubilee commemorative mug. On Thursday, 26th May we will be holding a whole school picnic on the field. If your child normally has a school lunch, just book your meals as you normally do on ParentPay and on the 26th, the school kitchen will provide a picnic lunch for them. If your child normally has a packed lunch, then they will take theirs outside with them to join the others. If you have a picnic blanket and would like to send it in with your child that day, please do but remember to write your name on it, thank you!

I would like to remind you about our procedures if your child is poorly and therefore going to be off school. We ask that you phone the school as soon as you can (we have a voicemail service where you can leave us a message) and tell us that your child will not be

in school and the reason for this. If we have not heard from you once the registers have closed, we will try to contact you. If we cannot make contact with you, we will then try the other numbers on our contact list. This is all for safeguarding purposes. This does not mean that we think that the child is not safe with you, but to ensure that they are where they are meant to be and are safe and being looked after. The Department for Education states that by law, *'If a pupil fails to attend on the agreed or notified date, the school must establish the reason for the absence and mark the attendance register accordingly'*. This means that we will keep trying to contact you and may visit the home address to establish the child's safety and wellbeing.

Our football teams have been making us proud again this week. Last Friday the Y5/6 girls' football team put in another excellent performance against a very strong St. Peter's East Bridgford team last Friday. Unfortunately, we lost 2-1; our first defeat of the year. The boys' team won 6 – 1 away against Ernehale on Wednesday and one of our girls' teams played extremely well in a friendly against Arnold View at home also on Wednesday. Mr Baker stated how proud he was of the effort and sportsmanship they displayed. Well done to Eleanor, Eliza, Jenny, Stella, Ruby, Verity and Maisy.

We hope you have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and we will see you on Tuesday.



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Your child's attendance at school is really important. Good attendance means the children will make progress in their learning and enjoy time with their friends developing their social skills. We understand that children get poorly from time to time and if you have any concerns, please contact us.	
Above 97%	Less than 6 days absence a year! Excellent attendance! Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best grades they can.
95%	Less than 10 days absence in a year! Pupils with this attendance are likely to achieve their target grades.
90%	20 days absence over the year! Pupils with this attendance are missing a month of school per year and may fall behind in Maths, English and other subjects; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best.
85%	30 days absence in a year! These pupils are missing 6 weeks of school a year! It will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best.
80%	Pupils with this attendance are missing a day for every week of school! It will be almost impossible to keep up with their work.

