

Civitas Academy Bulletin

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Update from Mr Wieder

I hope everyone had a good half term break. It was great to see all of Y3 back in school this week and there have been no further cases of COVID-19 reported. Over half term, two tests were completed and both returned negative results.

All schools received updated guidance from the Department of Education on Wednesday to reflect the new restrictions that have been put in place nationally for England. We have updated our risk management plan accordingly with subtle changes to reflect both this and the additional guidance also provided by REAch2.

We all have our part to play in order to minimise risk of transmission and avoid potential bubble closures. I can assure that we will do all that we can to minimise risk within school and I urge you all to follow the government guidance at this point to minimise any risk of potential exposure out of school.

E-Safety

It has come to my attention this week that some children in the school are accessing inappropriate apps/ websites for their age at home. The main site/ app that has been reported to me recently is TikTok. I appreciate that it is hard to keep up with all the various age limits for the different sites and several weeks ago, I gave a website link to support you with this, which I will include again below:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-age-can-my-child-start-social-networking/>

Guidance from TikTok published on its website states:

TikTok is intended for users **age 13 and over**. Please do not allow a child under the age of 13 to use the app. If you learn that your child under the age of 13 has registered for a TikTok account, contact us at:

<https://www.tiktok.com/legal/report/privacy>.

Parents' Evening

This will be taking place via telephone calls next week. The deadline for making appointments has now passed. Please note that calls from the teacher will either be on the school number or withheld numbers. If the member of staff is unable to contact you the first time, they will attempt one more time after a gap of one minute. If the call is not answered then, they will not attempt contact again.

School Dinners

A reminder that these need to be booked by Thursday at 12pm for the following week. Therefore the deadline for booking meals for the week beginning 16th November will be the 12th November.

Nut Free School

A reminder that nuts or nut-based products should not be brought into school.

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that these are taking in place in school on the 16th December. If you would like your child to have a vaccination, then please complete the form that was emailed to you several weeks ago.

Christmas Dinner

This will take place on Thursday 17th December.

COVID 19 Symptoms Procedure

A reminder that the main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms. If you or your child present with any of these symptoms, you must not attend school and should arrange to get a coronavirus test. You should stay at home and do not have visitors until you get a test result-only leave your home to have a test. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

You can book a coronavirus test on the following website:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

You must inform the school if you suspect that you or your child requires a coronavirus test and you should inform us immediately if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus.

In the event of a child displaying any symptoms in school, we would move your child to our isolation room and you would be asked to collect, isolate and arrange for a test.

In the event of a confirmed case of coronavirus, parents would be informed and the children in the bubble would be required to isolate. Remote home learning would then be provided during that time.

Events Diary

Date (Time)	Event
Monday 2 nd November	INSET Day
Monday 9 th November (3:30pm-6pm)	Y1-Y5 Parents Evening
Wednesday 11 th November (3:30pm-6pm)	Reception-Y5 Parents Evening
Thursday 12 th November (3:30-6pm)	Reception Parents Evening
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 16 th December	Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 18 th December	Last Day of Term