

Higher Walton CE Primary School

Autumn term 1
16th October 2020

WEEKLY UPDATE

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Website: www.walton.lancs.sch.uk

UPDATES

LANCASHIRE POST NEW STARTER PHOTOGRAPHS

The Lancashire Post photographer visited school this week to take a photograph of those Reception new starters who have permission to be included in press photographs. We have been informed that the photographs will be in the paper on Monday 2nd November.

COVID-19

A handy advice sheet for parents produced by Lancashire County Council is being sent out with the newsletter.

Guidance from the 119 service this week advises that if your child has been in contact with someone outside your household who has tested positive they need to isolate from school for 14 days from the date of the last contact with that person. They should then only return to school if they are not showing symptoms. This is the same advice for when NHS Test and Trace identifies your child as a close contact of a confirmed case.

NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS

Vaccinations will take place in school on Friday 6th November. Details of how to book your child's vaccination were sent out by email on 13th October. **Please ensure that you complete the online form by midnight on Thursday 29th October.** You are strongly encouraged to have your child vaccinated, however those children for whom we do not receive consent will not be included in the programme and you will need to make your own arrangements for them to receive the vaccine.

REMINDERS

REMOTE LEARNING

Where a class, group or a small number of pupils need to self-isolate, or local restrictions require pupils to remain at home, the Department for Education requires schools to provide immediate remote education **and parents must understand that engagement in home learning in these instances is compulsory.** Our Remote Learning Plan is on the school website. Click on this link <https://www.walton.lancs.sch.uk/key-information/Care-and-Support/coronavirus-recovery-plan-and-risk-assessment> or from the home page on our website go to key information, care and support, Covid-19 related information, remote learning. **Please ensure you have read this document so that you know what to expect if your child has to isolate.**

ONE WAY SYSTEM

Please can we remind everyone to follow the one-way system around school which is designed to keep parents from different classes separate. Please also remember to keep to the social distancing guidelines.

REPORTING COVID TESTING AND RESULTS

We now have a dedicated email address for you to use to let us know if you, your child or a household member have been tested and the outcome of those tests. **Please use covid@walton.lancs.sch.uk.**

ABSENCES

Please report absences as soon as possible on the day using ParentMail, **and update for each day of absence**, giving the full reason for the absence, especially where this is illness related.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Thank you to everyone who returned their photograph orders. These have now been sent off for processing. If you still wish to place an order, please follow the instructions on the order form for late orders. Please note these orders will incur a postage charge.

HARVEST APPEAL 2020

Thank you to everyone who has sent in coins for our harvest appeal. Please can all donations be received in school by **Friday 23rd October.**

2021 NURSERY/PRIMARY/HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

The closing dates for applications are:-

Secondary school applications – 11-59 pm on 31st October 2020

Primary school applications – 11-59 pm on 15th January 2020

APPLYING FOR NURSERY PLACES FOR JANUARY 2021

Children born between 1st September 2017 and 31st December 2017 become eligible for places for our January intake.

We have limited availability for both the 15 free hours Government entitlement and 30 hour free childcare places for eligible families. Please call the school office if you require any further information or to register your child for a place.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN EVENING INFORMATION



BOOK YOUR TOUR NOW

WELLFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 7 WELCOME BUNDLE

All students who join us in September 2021 will receive our Wellfield Bundle.

This includes

- Chromebook (laptop)
- School's Sport Kit
- Place in Summer School
- Blazer and Tie
- Dictionary, Thesaurus, Spanish Dictionary
- Scientific Calculator and Stationery

PLEASE VISIT www.whs.lancs.sch.uk

Please phone Mrs. S. Swift, the Headteacher's Personal Assistant, to book your individual tour of our school on 01772 421303

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Virtual Visit 21st October 2020
Live Q&A 6-7pm

To see more information on choosing Brownedge as your new family visit our school website

Virtual Tour | Headteacher's Welcome | Meet faculties, staff and pupils | Senior Prefects' Welcome

Brownedge St Mary's is hosting a 'Live Q&A' session on 21st October 2020 and would like to invite all prospective parents to join them.

In the absence of an Open Evening, there may be many questions you would like to ask but have not yet had the opportunity to do so.

If interested you can register for their live event and even submit questions in advance using this link:-

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/125064014835>

We have a limited number of information booklets from Brownedge St Mary's High School and Lostock Hall Academy. If you would like a copy, please contact Mrs Rourke.