

**HLA News** 

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022



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Dear Families,

Here we are at the Easter holidays already. I hope you all manage to get an enjoyable break.

Once again, Cambridgeshire County Council will be sending out shopping vouchers to the value of £30 to cover the Easter school holiday for all students who are eligible for Free School Meals. These will be available from today and will be emailed and text to you from Wonde/School Vouchers. Please do check your spam folders as often then can end up in there. There is also a Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme for Easter in response to Covid-19. More information can be found in the newsletter saved on Class Dojo.

As you may be aware testing has ended for all pupils in schools. There will be no public access to testing aside from private sector testing and tests which are self-purchased. From today, anyone with a positive **COVID-19 test result** will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be three days. This is only if people have accessed paid tests. The advice is that people with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, and a high temperature or who feel unwell, to try stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

This week students in the classes downstairs as well as Puffins and Swallows were treated to a performance of The Wizard of Oz from a visiting theatre company. This was kindly funded by the Happy Day's charity. Some of our older students have been learning about play scripts within English so this was a great opportunity to see it all in action. The students really enjoyed the show too!

This week we took a delivery of lovely new reading books linked in with the Read Write Inc scheme. We are in the process of labelling them up and are looking forward to using them in class. We have seen a significant leap in progress since using the scheme which is pleasing to see.

Learners in the S classes had a close encounter linked in with their learning about the rainforest this week. They were able to handle and learn about a variety of different rainforest animals. Some were very brave and held a snake – I stayed well away! It was lovely to hear from the students all of the facts that the students had learnt that day.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable Easter holiday. We look forward to welcoming the students back to school on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

With all best wishes.

Yvonne Skillern

Head of School



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- containing nuts it will be necessary to confiscate them for the health and safety of all our learners.
- Secondary aged students please don't forget to test twice weekly and report results to Covid.HLA@highfieldlittleport.org as well as the government website. The last batch of testing kits have now been distributed. As a school we are no longer able to order any more supplies unfortunately.
- Please remember that if your child is unwell or tests positive please keep your child off school to minimise transmission.
- Students return to school on Wednesday 20th April after the Easter break.



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## Safe use of Games Consoles

Talk with your child about responsible use of their games console.

Discuss what is okay and not okay to use it for and look at the possible risks. Tell your child what they should do if something goes wrong while using it. This could be to turn off the screen and tell an adult.



## Mental Health Tip of the Week:

