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We follow in Jesus' footsteps

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Important dates

Tuesday 17 November -

Nasal Flu vaccinations,

Friday 27 November - Staff

Inset day

Important

New pick up routine

After school - KS2 parents are asked to wait either behind the blue gate and fence (on the outer side of the KS1 playground) or along the wall of the KS2 playground.

New drop off routine

KS2 children to be left at the small blue gate.

Communication

Please communicate with your child's teacher via email or telephone



The children have returned to school once again with excitement but a certain amount of nervousness – this is normal in the present situation, please be assured that here in school, your children are safe and happy. Working closely with all members of our school community, adapting and tweaking, as we journey through this time, we have achieved our aim of keeping everyone safe and ensuring that school feels as normal as possible for the children. Thank you to parents for your support.

We understand that these are very challenging times with much anxiety for families – concern for family members, as well as the financial implications – we are here to help you in any way that we can.

Please also remember that all school staff also have their own worries. We will always treat you with dignity and respect and in return the same is also expected of you. Please remember we are here for the children and for you. We are doing our best.

Our assembly this week was to mark the celebration of All Saints Day. We celebrate those who loved and served God and talked about acts of kindness and how we can "follow in Jesus' footsteps" by carrying out daily acts of kindness. Year Two were able to give some wonderful examples of these and Gabriel said that we can help others through our charity work! Well done!



Star Awards

- YR - Ruby A & Milan
- Y1 - Delilah & Eva
- Y2 - Jayden & Casper
- Y3 - Jack & Bryan
- Y4 - Matas & Olivia
- Y5 - Aston & Jack
- Y6 - Faith & Julia W



Good Samaritan Awards

- YR - Aaradhya
- Y1 - Lacey
- Y2 - Alan
- Y3 - Elarna
- Y4 - Michal
- Y5 - Maja
- Y6 - Julia K

PE this Winter

As the weather gets colder, we will still be having outdoor P.E sessions where appropriate. According to current COVID-19 government guidance "because of the way in which people breathe during exercise, outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible". So please send in with PE Kits some jogging/tracksuit bottoms and a sweatshirt/hoody (coats will be fine also).

Nursery Children Flu Vaccinations

Flu is a common infection in babies and children and can be very unpleasant for them. Children under the age of 5 have the highest hospital admission rates for flu compared to other age groups.

All children aged 2 and 3 years old on 31 August 2020 are eligible for a free flu vaccination in the form of a nasal spray. However, not all parents are aware of this or take up the offer. Not only does the flu vaccine help to protect the children themselves, but by reducing the spread of flu it will also help protect family members, and others in the local community.

Thank you for your patience & understanding on Tuesday after the closure of school due to the power cut.

Coronavirus update - important information

You must self-isolate immediately if:

you have any symptoms of coronavirus (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) you live with someone who has symptoms or tested positive

- **someone in your support bubble has symptoms or tested positive**

If one person has any of the above symptoms then all the household must self isolate. The person with the symptoms must get tested and isolate for 10 days. The others must isolate for 14 days and only get tested if they show symptoms. Further advice can be found at NHS website or by phoning 119

If a child has COVID-19 symptoms, gets tested and tests negative, can they return to school even if they still have symptoms?

If the child is NOT a known contact of a confirmed case the child can return to school if the result is negative, provided they have been fever free for 48 hours and feel well.

If the child is a contact of a confirmed case they must stay off school for the 14 day isolation period, even if they test negative. This is because they can develop the infection at any point up to day 14 (the incubation period for COVID-19), so if a child tests negative on day 3 they may still go on to develop the infection.

If a child who was a contact of a confirmed case tests negative, can they return to school?

No, the child should complete 14 days of isolation.

Does a child who was identified as a contact need to have a negative test before they can return to school?

No

If confirmation of laboratory diagnosis is delayed (failure to get a test appointment within 3 days of developing symptoms) the following actions should be followed: This symptomatic child/staff member needs self isolate for 10 days. Siblings from the same household should self isolate for 14 days. Any other household contacts should self-isolate for 14 days

Please contact Ms Shelts for advice about returning to school.