

Weekly Newsletter – 11th May 2021

I hope you all had a lovely holiday – the children have certainly come back focused and ready to work hard. The sunshine has meant that we could make good use of the field too – at lunchtime and in PE. The forecast continues to be good so please could you ensure that your child has suncream on before they come to school and has a named sunhat and water bottle in school.

COVID-19 Update

Unfortunately, as you will have seen on the news there continues to be a rise in cases nationwide but especially in the Lancashire area. Lancashire Public Health team are being proactive to try and minimise the rise in cases and have asked all schools to send a letter out to parents from the Director of Public Health. I will share this on Class Dojo and via email.

It is important that you remain vigilant to the 3 key symptoms of COVID-19:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste.

If your child or anyone in their household demonstrates these symptoms, the whole family must isolate and a PCR test must be completed. These tests can now be booked quickly and the results are usually back in 24 hours so if it is negative there is the minimum disruption to family life.

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

All adults in school continue to complete twice weekly lateral flow tests and these test are now accessible to anyone to use from the chemist. **However, please note lateral flow tests should only be used when there are no symptoms. If there are symptoms a PCR tests must be used as these are more accurate.**

Visits/Visitors

We are very aware that the children have missed out on many of our usual school activities this year and therefore the classteachers are determined to give the children something special before the end of the year.

We were delighted Year 6 managed to fit in a residential last month and we will be arranging visits or visitors into school for our other year groups. We haven't been able to book some of our usual visits as the venues are not yet open. Where there isn't an appropriate visit out of school we will be bringing visitors into school to give the children a 'different' experience.

The classteachers will post letters giving more information about their year group's activity on Class Dojo and payment and permission should be given on Parent Pay. We will endeavour to subsidise these visits/visitors as much as possible, however please do bear in mind that as there haven't been any fundraising activities this year funds for this are limited.

Thank you for your continued support. Rhiannon Jones