

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Red Nose Day

Thank you for supporting the day with fabulous red outfits and red noses! So far the Moorfield community has raised over £550!!!

## Lateral Flow Device (LFD) Testing

We've had a few queries from parents this week about LFD tests which many of you are now using yourself at home. The purpose of these tests is to identify if you are asymptomatic i.e. not showing any symptoms of Covid but unknowingly carrying the virus.

These tests are being used by staff in schools twice a week and they are the same tests that secondary pupils are now administering at home. Many of you have access to these from your own workplace.

If your child shows any symptoms you do not need to complete a LFD test at home but instead contact NHS119 to book a PCR test. However, this week, through this process some of our families have been sent to Fred Perry House to complete a LFD Test in a controlled environment. This is different to taking the test at home and the outcome is authenticated by a medical professional.

Can I also remind you not to send your child to school if they have a temperature of 37.8C or greater and please do not administer paracetamol such as Calpol before sending them to school as this may give us an inaccurate temperature reading. If you or your child has a high temperature then as a family you should self-isolate and arrange a PCR test. It is imperative that you do not send siblings to school if there is anyone in your family bubble with symptoms.

A reminder that symptoms include:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- You have lost your sense of smell or taste or it has changed

## School Car Park—Resource Base Parents

As you are aware the school car park is only for school staff. However we are mindful of our families with disabilities and do allow these parents and carers to use the car park. The school also operates a policy where our Resource Base parents and carers can use the car park as in some cases it is a safer option for these children to be collected in this way. However we do now seem to have an increased number of cars entering and exiting the car park at the start and end of school and this is concerning us. Many are having to double park and some are causing a danger parking close to the exit inhibiting the view for drivers and pedestrians. We have had a few 'near misses' recently and this worries us.

I am asking for our Resource Base parents not to use the school car park unless absolutely necessary due to the specific needs of your child. Please think carefully about this request and whether it is possible for you to either walk your child to and from school or park outside the car park away from the school site. If you can do this it would really support the reduction in cars and provide a safer car park for everyone.

## Year 5 Bikeability

For those in Year 5 involved in Bikeability next week, can you please ensure your bike is roadworthy and in good condition. All bikes will be checked by the instructors and any that aren't safe will not be used.

Easter break

A reminder that we finish next Friday—26th March for the Easter holiday and return to school on Monday 12th April.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Paul Anderson Headteacher





22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 What's going on this week?



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March is census day in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The survey provides a glimpse of life, which can be used by organisations to help make sure they provide the right services for people. The 2021 census in particular, will help us understand how coronavirus has affected everything from our health to our finances. Due to the pandemic, Scotland have decided to hold their census next year.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you find out who has completed the census in your household? What kind of questions did they need to answer?
- Can you remember the last time you (or your family) completed a form for something else, it could be to join a club or to order something? What questions were asked?

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