

MOSSY LEA MESSENGER

Tuesday, 9th March 2021 IX · III · MMXXI

I am not sure how to start – probably contravening national protocol, and social expectation, I am going to start by saying well done for sending your kids in. It is certainly not something I was taking for granted. And for what its worth, for now, once again, its definitely the right thing to do. School is fine. School is safe.

What's left of this half term however centres around you, kids, covid. That's the centre of our work.... Followed by teaching and learning! We can furlough many things, but not, if it is safe to do so, kids in school.

Returning to convention now, may I take this opportunity to welcome you all back. I don't know about you but I genuinely can't decided if I've just had my summer holiday, just come back after Christmas... oh no, we're in lent, and approaching Easter! In addition, as I said to staff, “let's try and focus on the positives, let's try and see the positives, and if positives are thin on the ground let's create some.” Welcome back everyone, and thank you for rocking up!

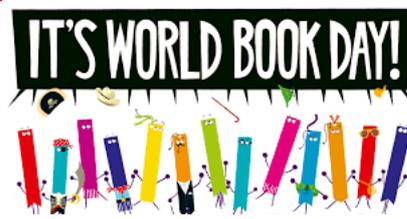
Take it easy folks, deep breathes eh, and let's focus on the many ,many, many positives,

Covid will 19 will undoubtedly be at the forefront of our minds for a while..... And probably impossible to shift from there in all reality..... but lets pop some other, traditionally normal stuff there alongside it, and keep reminding ourselves of perspective re this thing! Some facts from the Regional Paediatric guidelines remind us there have been fewer cases of COVID-19 reported in children than in adults (1-2% of persons diagnosed with COVID-19 are <18 yrs., and most of these had exposure to a household member with confirmed COVID-19

That said, we will continue to be alert to the symptoms of the disease.

The predominant signs and symptoms of COVID-19 in children are similar to other viral respiratory infections, including cough (48%), fever (42%) and pharyngitis (30%). Other reported symptoms are; tachypnea (0-100%), nasal congestion (0-30%), runny nose (0-20%), wheezing (33%), diarrhoea (8-23%), vomiting (8-50%), headache (8-13%) and fatigue (8-13%).

If your kid, or indeed yourself shows any of these symptoms please do not come to school, and get a test, and keep us posted on the results, then we'll take it from there.



World book day is fast approaching! On Thursday, 11th March, we will be completing lots of fun activities in school as well as taking part in private workshops with a real life children's author!

There is no theme this year. Children can dress up as their favourite character from their favourite book or even the book title!

Clubs for this half term (until 16:30):

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Eco / Gardening Club | Fun Fitness with Coach Mayers | Art / Craft | Book Club | Chorley School Sports Partnership (Dodgeball) |

Free of charge

May I welcome all of you back to school.

It's my pleasure and privilege to lead you all throughout the year, making a positive difference, sorting mistakes, and enjoying ourselves.

Embrace the challenges with gusto, safe that you are surrounded by safety nets.... be determined to better yourself each day, its your time to make a difference and shine like the stars kids.

All the best everyone, take it easy,
Andy

