





Newsletter #02 – Spring Term

Dear Parents.

I am writing to inform you all of a change in guidance for periods of isolation in England.

It is a little complex so I'm going to try to make it as clear as possible for everyone.

From the 11th **January**, people (including school age children) who test positive on a lateral flow test but **don't have any symptoms**, are no longer required to get a PCR test. This is now considered a positive result and therefore they would need to isolate in line with the latest government guidelines.

If you or your child **has symptoms** it is still required that you get a PCR test.

If your child lives in a house where there is a confirmed positive case, they should be taking a lateral flow test every day, before school, for seven days. If it is negative then your child can come into school.

From Monday 17th January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days **if they test negative with a lateral flow test** on both day 5 and day 6 as long as they do not have a temperature. Therefore, if your child tests negative on the morning of day 5 AND the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6.

If the result of either of the lateral flow tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they **get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days** or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest. If your child is unable to take LFD tests or if they continue to have a temperature, they will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available.

It seems like COVID guidance is currently changing every day! If you require any further information about this, please do not hesitate to contact school.



It was brilliant to bring Ivy into school on Monday. The pupils loved spending time with her during breaktime. I plan on bringing Ivy back into school on a regular basis.

My daughter Francesca also enjoyed a quick tour of the school on Monday morning!

Thanks for your continued support.

Nick Turley

Reverend Craig's Assembly

Reverend Craig and Charlie visited school yesterday and delivered a fantastic assembly all about our school value in focus forgiveness. Reverend Craig talked about how Christians believe that God recognised people were not perfect and how Jesus was sent to help.

Drop Off and Collection Arrangements

It has been brilliant speaking to many of you at drop off and collection time. Thank you again for making me feel so welcome. With the increasing rates of COVID across Cumbria, can I ask that you wear a mask or face covering when approaching school. Staff will also wear a mask if they need to approach a parent. Thank you all for your understanding in this difficult time.

School Meals

I am aware of the situation with school meals and we are currently looking at different solutions. I hope to provide an update on this matter in the coming weeks. If your child receives free school meals (FSM) or your child is in Reception, Year One or Year Two (Universal infant free school meals) you will continue to receive your vouchers.

Classroom Activities

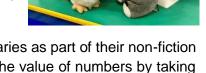
In this week's fun packed French lessons the pupils have been learning the days of the week. At the end of last term our Class One pupils decided that they wanted to create a French themed café in the role play area!





On Tuesday, Class Three became surgeons for a super grammar lesson. The pupils had to perform contraction surgery. They were tasked with putting two words together to create a shortened form of the word, the tricky part was getting the apostrophe in the correct place.

Class One have continued their journey around the world this week. The pupils are currently in Australia. They are learning about the location of Australia by looking at different maps and finding out about the animals that inhabit the country.



In Class Two the pupils have been busy writing fantastic glossaries as part of their non-fiction focus in English. The class have also been learning all about the value of numbers by taking part in a range of practical maths activities.



On Monday, Class Four started studying Macbeth in English. The pupils all enjoyed immersing themselves in William Shakespeare's classic play.