



FRIDAY EMAIL UPDATE – 6th November 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Despite the current limitations of life there is still lots going on in school! Every month there will be the usual newsletter but every Friday there will be an update email with any extra school news we need to share with you.

COVID UPDATE:

As you will all know from Thursday there is a national lockdown but in school most routines and organisation in school remains the same with breakfast and afterschool club continuing to run as normal. However, in the update from the DfE yesterday we have been told that clubs which are not directly related to childcare cannot take place during national lockdown. Multi skills and Fitness Fun sports clubs are now cancelled and will be so for the rest of the autumn term. For parents affected please contact the office if you would like a refund or you can use money paid to cover your child's club place when they restart in the spring term. If you do need child care on a Tuesday or a Wednesday please so go to Cool Kids Afterschool Club web page <https://www.communityfutures.org.uk/about-us-8/> for details of how to book a session.

Schools Remote Learning Policy is also now on the school website if you would like to read it in full. If we have to close a bubble full information will be sent out at the time to explain how remote learning will take place for the period of self-isolation.

Thank you for all you are doing to help keep our school fully open and our class bubbles secure. Please can I gently remind everyone in the car park that adults should be keeping 2 metres apart. If this is not possible then please can masks but worn so that we are all fully complying with government guidance and keeping our school as Covid safe as we can do.

Please can I also remind all carers that you need to collect your child(ren) from the coned area as cars are using the car park when children are leaving school. Thank you.

FOSS UPDATE:

Christmas Raffle: Thank you to everyone who is selling raffle tickets for school. Please can I encourage everyone to support this event – the prizes are fantastic! If you need any more tickets, please contact Sandra in the office as there are still some left.

Smarties Tubes: The deadline to hand them in was today and there are still quite a few Smartie tubes out there so if yours is still at home please can you send them in on Monday to support FOSS raising money to provide those extras for all our children. Thank you

KS2 Christmas Film Evening: On Friday 11th December straight afterschool there will be a film night for KS2 (separate bubbles will be maintained and staff are staying later to cover the evening rather than FOSS to ensure we are Covid safe – food for the evening will be quarantined in school for over 72 hours before the event). Details will follow from FOSS later this term but please do put this date in your diary.

COOL KIDZ AFTERSCHOOL CLUB FILM NIGHT FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

On Friday next week, afterschool club will be having a film night with a newly released Christmas film which will help your children start getting ready for Christmas! Children are kept in their separate class bubbles in both breakfast club and afterschool club so that appropriate Covid safe strategies are in place. Usual costs apply but there will be limited places. A snack and drink are provided. If you would like

any more details please contact Julianne (manager) via their page on the Cool KidZ website (see above) or Julianne directly on on 07928 325954

NSPCC SPEAK OUT STAY SAFE PROGRAMME:

Next week each class will be taking part in the NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Programme. This is a nationally used programme used by hundreds of schools across the country. A letter accompanies this email which fully explains what the programme entails. If you have any questions after reading it, please do feel free to contact school.

REMEMBRANCE DAY AND ROYAL BRITISH LEGION FUND RAISING

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated by buying an item to commemorate Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day (11th November). This week on the 11th November we will be having a two minute silence (KS2) and a 1 minute silence (Infant Class) at 11am. We have been thinking about and looking at this event in class, in worship and as the children buy the different items they have this week. Our head boy and head girl will be visiting church this Wednesday to lay the wreath on the plaque in church and having a two minutes silence with the rest of school. We would normally take part in the service on Remembrance Sunday. We have also used our worship table in the hall to create a display area for our own poppies which the children have written on names of people or groups of people who we should remember from the past and now who still sacrifice time, health and lives looking after us all. Poppy items will still be available to buy until Wednesday.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR– Wednesday 11th to Tuesday 17th November

Every year we host the Scholastic Book Fair in school and this year is no different except we will be getting all children to wear a pair of disposable gloves when handling the books! The children will be able to browse on Wednesday and Thursday in order to choose which book/stationary they would like and books/stationary can be paid for on the Friday or Monday. We will send a slip home with your child when they have seen a book they like (staff will help guide them if needed) so that you can send in the relevant amount the next day if you wish to buy the book/items.

There is also an online brochure which you can also take a look at and choose a book this way (see the link below). Payment can be sent in directly to school if you know which book your child wants.

As a school we very much encourage reading for pleasure so I do hope that you will take this opportunity to buy your child a book which they can share and talk about with their class and at home. Buying from Scholastic also enables school to choose new books for the children as school gets commission for all books sold which is used to purchase books for each class.

<https://images.scholastic.co.uk/assets/a/d6/2a/sbf-pre-browse-order-form-v7-1966840.pdf>

Have a great weekend,

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