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# The Acorns School Newsletter

Information on COVID-19, your child's education, safeguarding and helplines.

<https://theacornsschool.co.uk/>



## Need help at home but have no internet access?

Domestic abuse can affect anyone, the recent government measures to tackle COVID-19 can cause anxiety for those who are experiencing or feel at risk of domestic abuse. Domestic abuse is unacceptable in any situation, no matter what stresses you are under. If you are worried about domestic abuse, there are several organisations out there who want to help below:

Refuge helpline: 0808 2000 247  
Women's Aid Wigan: 01942 496094

Mankind Helpline 01823 334244  
Drop in and Share: 01942 495230

YoungMinds provides an anonymous FREE text line and text YM to 85258 and there is also a FREE parental support line on 0808 8025544 Mon-Fri 9.30-4.00

## DIY Halloween Crafts at home

This October, fill your house with simple (and sweet!) Halloween crafts, featuring ghosts, goblins, monsters, and more. These easy DIY projects require only basic crafting skills — no witchcraft necessary.



[www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/halloween-ideas/g1566/easy-halloween-craft-ideas/](http://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/halloween-ideas/g1566/easy-halloween-craft-ideas/)



- Plastic capes and bin liners are often used as costumes – keep them away from candles or other naked flames.
- Use battery operated lights within homemade lanterns and pumpkins. Battery operated lights are much safer than candles.
- Take extra care with candles. If the candle tips over it could set light to materials such as costumes, curtains, clothes and furniture and start a serious fire. Make sure they are extinguished properly .

<https://www.lancsfireescue.org.uk/fire-safety-messages-for-bonfire-and-halloween/>

**Take Care This Bonfire Night**  
# BonfireSafety

## Are your children accessing their Virtual work lessons?

It is crucial to ensure your children are using their emails to access work being provided by teaching staff. All students have been given access to Microsoft TEAMS with work provided. Students can access this site through the log on information provided to them in their school email, but if they experience any difficulties then contact

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Our website will give you information on all the work being set for pupils, support and advice services and updates from school. We will also communicate regularly via phone and email. Please ensure the school office is aware of any changes to phone numbers or email addresses.



**TIER 3: VERY HIGH** Further measures may be agreed locally

No household mixing indoors or outdoors in hospitality venues or private gardens

Rule of six applies in outdoor public spaces like parks

Pubs and bars not serving meals will be closed

Guidance against travelling in and out of the area



Lancashire are in **Tier 3** lockdown and it is important you keep yourselves and your families safe by following local restrictions and staying up to date with Government announcements. You can find support and information on our school website about Covid19.



A huge **THANK YOU** to our recent partners **Spencer Clarke Group**. We have been able to fund FSM vouchers across October half term due to their kind donation!

Check out our twitter page to see us tag [@Marcusrashford](https://twitter.com/Marcusrashford) in our latest news!

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**Thinkuknow** is a useful online education programme which aims to empower Children and Young People to be better able to spot things online, which may be harmful and how to tell someone about it. It provides help and advice.

