



USWORTH COLLIERY

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COVID SAFE REMINDERS

Although most of the restrictions within school have lifted regarding bubbles and social distancing, we are still living with COVID within the community. In school, we are limiting contact between different year groups, but also making sure that the children are washing their hands more regularly and making sure that the school building is well ventilated.

If your child has any symptoms of COVID at all, it is really important that you take them for a PCR test and do not bring them into school. If the test is negative, then they can return. If anyone else in the house has a PCR test, even if they do have symptoms, your child can still attend school (unless they have symptoms themselves). If anyone in the household has a positive test but your child tests negative, then they can still attend school. This is all according to government guidance.

Basically, the only reason your child should be absent is if they have symptoms and are awaiting a test result or if they have COVID. This is all part of the process of trying to live with COVID. School do not have to put any restrictions in place unless there are five cases within a year group over a 10-day period or if 10% of the school have a positive test. Even at this stage, Public Health have to tell us what to do. School do not do any track and trace anymore.

COVID is still in the community, so please follow the guidance outline above to keep everyone safe.

REMINDER: WALKING HOME

Anyone who wishes their child to walk home unaccompanied from Years 4 to 6 need to have signed a form from the office and any previously signed forms are still valid. **Reminder: All children should be picked up from clubs after half-term until February half-term due to the darker evenings.**

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Day	Club name	Club Leader	Year Groups	Location
Monday	Construction Club	Mrs Jones	All	The Base
Monday	Board games	Mrs Thomson & Mrs Kaur	3-6	Breakfast room
Tuesday	Film Club	Mrs Steel/ Mrs Prosser	3-6	The Base
Tuesday	The Movie Review Crew	Mrs Wall/ Mrs Bloomer	1-2	Small Hall
Tuesday	Running Club	Mr Wright	3-6	Outdoors
Wednesday	Dodgeball	Mr Dickinson	4-6	Main Hall
Thursday	Board games	Mrs Dixon/Mrs Hilton	2-4	3RD
Thursday	KS2 Football Club	Mr Mcvittie-Mathews	3-6	Yard/ Field

RECOMMENDED READING – NEW RELEASES

THE HUGASAURUS BY RACHEL BRIGHT AND CHRIS CHATTERTON

A joyful celebration of the power of kindness for fans of The Worrysaurus. From Rachel Bright, author of the bestselling The Lion Inside, and Chris Chatterton, illustrator of the popular Ten Minutes to Bed series. One sunny morning, a happy little Hugasaurus waves goodbye to her Pappysaur and sets off into the world on her own for the very first time. When she finds a playground, some new friends welcome her to their games. But it isn't long before the other little dinosaurs start to squabble. Can Hugasaurus bring her new friends back together using the magical power of kindness? The perfect picture book to help children learn to be kind to one another. For every hugasaurus - large or small.

AUTUMN TERM DATES 2021

PLEASE NOTE: There will be further events added for parents (including Christmas performances and family mornings) however we need to make sure that COVID cases are at a safe level to do so following government guidance.

Wednesday 20 th October	Parents' Meetings
Monday 25 th October to Friday 29 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 1 st November	Children back in school
Friday 12 th November	Children in Need Day
Week beginning 15 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Friday 10 th December	Autumn reports (sent out to parents).
Monday 20 th December to Monday 3 rd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
Tuesday 4 th January	TEACHER TRAINING DAY
Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Children back in school

GOOD TO GROW

We have signed up for the 'It's Good to Grow' campaign from Morrisons. Each time you shop at Morrisons you can collect vouchers which will go towards free gardening equipment for school. The vouchers are being given out between 6th September and 24th October. If you do your shopping online, you can still donate these to school via the app or website.



TWITTER STARS

Remember to check out this week's Twitter Stars! These are tweeted on: @TStarKS1_UCPS or @TStarKS2_UCPS. They also appear on @UCPrimary and on our website Twitter feed.

DOJO POINTS

Check out our dojo/house point counter at <https://www.usworthcolliery.co.uk/children/house-point-counter>. Children are awarded points throughout the week for following the Colliery Code. This week's classes with the most house points are:

1st – 4EP 2nd – 5SMM 3rd – 1ES

ATTENDANCE WINNERS

These classes have the highest attendance this week.

Whole school attendance –93.8%

EYFS/KS1 – 1ES & THRIVE with 100% KS2 – 3RD with 97.6%

Mr Gary Wright

Headteacher



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OPEN EVENING

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 3.30-6.30PM

*Headteacher's Welcome at 3.30pm & 5.00pm in the Main Hall
Guides will be available to take you on a tour of the Academy
Sample Dishes from our Lunchtime Menu
All Year 5 & 6 Parents are Welcome
Meet our staff*



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