

Update for parents: 3

Friday 18th September 2020

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the second full week of the term already. The staff are continuing to report back on how brilliant all the children have been at sticking to the new rules and how well they have settled back into life at school. They are all working hard in their classrooms and they have been enjoying the lovely warm weather out on the field with their friends this week.

To get the children back into the swing of things we have been sharing a book across the whole school called 'Here we are' by Oliver Jeffers. The children have created some fantastic work based on this wonderful book and it has acted as a stimulus for lots of learning and discussion in classes. It has been a really fun way to transition back into school.



Reception art work, Year 5 Rockets, Year 4 writing and Year 6 portraits.

School photos

The school photographer will be at school on Monday 21st September taking individual photos of the children in a socially distanced manner! Unfortunately we are unable to take photographs of sibling groups at this time due to measures in place. The photographer will be coming back later in the school year so there will hopefully be another opportunity to get group or individual photographs taken then.

Pupil absences due to coronavirus symptoms

Every one of us recognises that the children need to be in school after such a long time at home but at the same time we need to keep everyone safe. **The priority at this time absolutely must be to ensure that people who are ill with coronavirus symptoms stay at home and do not come to school.** That is why we are being very clear about pupils with coughs or a temperature staying at home until they can be tested or the necessary isolation period is completed. We appreciate that it is extremely difficult to get a test and some children are unable to be tested because they have had symptoms for longer than 5 days. I know how frustrating this is for parents and I thank you for your understanding at this very challenging time.



Remote Learning

If your child has to be absent from school for longer than three days, we will provide work for them on Seesaw (Years 1-6) or Tapestry (Reception). We are unable to provide remote learning for children who are off for other reasons such as non-COVID related illness. These children should be taking the time to recover at home.

I have also attached a **quick reference guide for parents** to help you understand what you should do in the event of one of your household becoming unwell with coronavirus symptoms.

Drop off

Please can parents help us in ensuring children do not arrive too early at school. We are still getting some children in year 5 and 6 arriving too early. Many thanks

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend,

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Woolley

Headteacher