



Dear Parents,

18th January 2022

Information Letter 4- Spring Term 2021 – 2022

After School Clubs

Some after school clubs begin this week however other clubs have a later starting date. Here is a reminder:

Day	Time	Club	Class
Monday	3.10pm - 4.10pm	Netball	<u>Year 3 - 6</u> 28th February – 4th April
	3.10pm – 4.10pm	Tag Rugby	<u>Years 3 – 6</u> 24th January – 4th April
Tuesday	3.10pm - 4.30pm	Football	<u>Years 3 – 6</u> 18th January – 5th April
	3.10pm – 4.10pm	Tag Rugby	<u>Years R - 2</u> 25th January – 15th Feb
Wednesday	3.10pm – 4.00pm	Football	<u>Year R, 1 & 2</u> 19th January – 6th April
	3.10pm – 4.15pm	The Big Sing Choir	<u>Years 3 – 6</u> 19th January - tbc
Thursday	3.10pm – 4.15pm	Dance	<u>Year 3 – 6</u> 6th January – 7th April
Friday	3.10pm – 4.30pm	Girls Football	<u>Years 3 – 6</u> 21st January – 8th April
	3.10pm – 4.00pm	French	<u>Years 1 & 2</u> 21st January – 11th Feb

Clubs may have to be cancelled with short notice due to Covid. Please check your texts and emails regularly.

Poetry Update

In our recent Ofsted, the inspector noted that we are developing our pupils' appreciation of poetry. We have made great in-roads with this improvement point, including the poetry workshops offered to pupils last year by Spoz. We are once again inviting Spoz into school to work with our KS2 pupils on the next phase: PREPARATION FOR A POETRY SLAM! We are looking forward to the Poet Laureate's visit on Friday 28th January.



Panto Performances

Congratulations to our pupils who have been taking part in dance and drama activities outside school (including support backstage). Bella-Rose in Year 3 is performing in the fun filled family pantomime 'Little Red Riding Hood' at the Swan Theatre from Thursday 20th January to Sunday 30th January and Finley in Year 6 and Erin in Year 1 performed in 'Jack and the Beanstalk' at Norton Parish Hall last weekend.

Parking

Please park considerately at the beginning and end of day. Be aware of any dropped curbs ensuring that these are fully accessible to our neighbours near to school. This morning, we were sent a photograph of a car blocking the entrance to one of the local resident's driveway!

Curriculum Information Session for Parents

Thank you for your feedback regarding the Curriculum Information Session for Parents held on Wednesday 12th January. Mrs Marshall led the meeting for Willow parents. She shared information about how to help children with early reading and writing. For parents who were unable to attend Mrs Marshall has uploaded resources on both the school website and Seesaw for Willow Class.

A reminder that the RSE presentation shared with parents at our last Curriculum afternoon in October, can be viewed on the school website: [RSE | Norton Juxta Kempsey \(nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk\)](https://www.nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk)

Whole School Communication

As a result of the whole school questionnaire in October, we have implemented the following suggestions:

- Repeated news items on information letters shown in blue
- Hazel parents to exit blue gate at the end of the day
- More advanced notice of dates (please see calendar on the school website)
- Reintroduction of individual music tuition

Please note that all information letters can be found on the school website:
[Letters to Parents | Norton Juxta Kempsey \(nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk\)](https://www.nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk)

Ofsted Report

Norton Juxta Kempsey CE Primary continues to be a GOOD school following the Ofsted inspection in November. The Ofsted Report has been uploaded onto the school website: www.nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk/ofsted-reports.

Spring Term Covid Procedures

These procedures will be reviewed weekly.

1. Face coverings will continue to be worn by staff during the start and end of day routines
2. Staff will continue to do twice weekly lateral flow tests
3. Pupils will mix in key stage bubbles at break-times
4. Pupils will gather on the playground in key stage 'bubbles' at the start of the day
5. Parents will collect pupils directly from the classrooms at the end of the school day and use the 'COVID' one-way system (Yellow dots)
6. Staff will be sanitizing all shared equipment or putting it into quarantine for 48 hours
7. The library and school office 'waiting room' will remain closed
8. Reduced visitors on site



DFE Guidance-Changes to the self-isolation period for individuals who test positive for COVID-19

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education or childcare setting from day 7.

Confirmatory PCR tests to be temporarily suspended for positive lateral flow device (LFD) test results

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from **Tuesday 11 January**. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JDean'.

Mrs Dean
Headteacher