



11th October 2021

Dear Parents,

Autumn Letter 7 - Autumn Term 2021 - 2022

On Friday the pupils will take part in a virtual, Harvest Festival. This year we are joining forces with Mrs Eeles and Mrs Johns who are collected through Norton Babies and Toddlers, and we would like to support Worcester Food Bank. Please send items into school by Friday 22nd October when Mrs Eeles will collect and take down to the foodbank for us. Items can also be dropped off at toddler group Thursday 14th and 21st October at the Parish Hall between 10 and 11.30am.

Worcester Foodbank

Crisis

Latest Shopping List 2021

Our top priority is: Supermarket gift cards

Our Storehouse needs:

Peanut Butter
Sponge Puddings
Hot Chocolate
Tinned Potatoes
Tinned Vegetables
Tinned Cold Meats (e.g. Spam)
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Rice pudding
Tinned custard
Noodle Pots/Mugshots
Crackers
Treats
Apple Juice
Orange Juice
Squash

For our cooking packs we need:

Mixed Herbs
Salt
Pepper
Gravy Granules
Instant Coffee
Sugar
Oil
Tomato Sauce
Packet Seasoning

For our pet packs we need:

Wet & Dry Dog Food
Wet & Dry Cat Food

For our comfort packs we need:

Disposable Razors
Nappies Size 5, 6 & 7
Small Washing Up Liquid
Family Size Shower Gel
Men's and Women's Deodorant
Large & Small Washing Powder
Anti Bac Spray
Anti Bac Wipes
Kitchen Roll
Single Adult Toothbrushes
Family Pack of Toothbrushes
Shaving Foam
Family Size Shampoo
Hair Conditioner

We also accept money and gift cards to enable us to buy what we need when we need it. Or donate online at www.worcester.foodbank.org.uk

Thank you for your support. *Please note: We are very grateful for your donations. However, we can only accept donations of unopened and undamaged goods which are still within their "use by" date.*



Covid Procedures

Whilst we still have Covid procedures in place in school, we will not be distributing any birthday/special occasion sweets or treats brought in by the pupils.



Curriculum Information for Parents

Mrs Berry will be leading the first of our planned curriculum information sessions for parents on Wednesday 20th October at 2.30pm. The workshop will focus on the RSE curriculum, looking at both statutory requirements and how the school has written the curriculum to meet the needs of our pupils and families. Mrs Berry will share lesson plans and information about how you can support your child/ren at home. Further information regarding this workshop will be issued shortly.

Whole School Communication

We have various methods of communicating with parents. Home School Link books (free of charge this year), school letters, emails, texts, Scholarpack App and the school website. We are always looking for ways to improve our communication. We do know however that with the pace of life not all messages are seen, read or interpreted correctly. If school information does not seem to be coming through regularly or if you hear news indirectly either through your child, another parent or WhatsApp and it does not appear to be accurate-please come in and check.

Remember our door is always open. Mrs Dean on the gate, telephone or email the office or have a conversation with Mrs Cross at the window.

Cauliflower Cards

Please note the date to return your Christmas card design is Friday 15th October.

Interim COVID Procedures

Although the Government Guidance (shown below) allows schools to remove all COVID procedures, we will be keeping some of the systems at the start of the school year. These interim measures will be reviewed at the end of half term:

1. Key Stage 'bubbles' maintained during Breakfast Club and After School Club
2. Collective Worship will be virtual and pupils will remain in their classrooms
3. Face coverings will continue to be worn by staff during the start and end of day routines
4. Staff will continue to do twice weekly lateral flow tests
5. Pupils will mix in Key Stage 'bubbles' at break-times
6. Pupils will gather on the playground in Key Stage 'bubbles' at the start of the day
7. Parents will collect pupils directly from the classrooms at the end of the school day and use the 'COVID' one-way system (Yellow dots)
8. Staff will be sanitizing all shared equipment or putting it into quarantine for 48 hours
9. Willow and Rowan parents will come through the gate in the morning to take pupils to their classrooms then follow the yellow footsteps back out of the gate
10. The library and school office 'waiting room' will remain closed during these interim COVID procedures
11. Reduced visitors on site for activities such as Parents Consultation Evenings by spreading the appointments over more days
12. Telephone appointments with parents if preferred

Kind regards

Mrs Dean
Headteacher