



2nd October 2020

Dear Parents,

Curriculum Update

Our remote learning system, Seesaw proved to be very useful during lockdown and will continue to be used for homework. It will also be used if a class, group or small number of pupils need to self-isolate, or there is a local lockdown requiring pupils to remain at home. Today, the Secretary of State for Education has issued a continuity direction that requires schools to provide remote education for state-funded, school-age children unable to attend school due to coronavirus (COVID-19): [Coronavirus Act 2020 Provision of Remote Education \(England\) Temporary Continuity Direction](#). Please contact the school office if you are unable to access Seesaw.

Homework

Homework expectations differ across the school. Here is a reminder of what to look out for and when for each year group:

Reception- A weekly task or challenge set on a Friday.

Year 1- A weekly task or challenge set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Year 2- Homework set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. Usually two subjects per week (English/Maths or Maths/Topic) plus a weekly spelling challenge.

Year 3 and 4- Homework set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Usually two subjects per week (Spelling/Maths). At times, pupils will be set Topic homework and this will include a completion date.

Year 5-Topic/Science homework set on a Monday will include a completion date. English set on a Wednesday to be completed by Monday. Spellings set on a Wednesday and tested the following Wednesday. Maths set on a Friday due in by the following Wednesday.

Year 6-Topic/Science homework set on a Monday will include a completion date. English set on a Wednesday to be completed by Monday. Spellings set on a Wednesday and tested the following Wednesday. Maths set on a Friday due in by the following Wednesday.

Attendance

It is a difficult time for us all at present but being vigilant about the COVID-19 symptoms is a good way of us all pulling together and getting through it. I would just like to say well done for our current school attendance rate as last week we had 100% attendance on Wednesday! As long as your child is well and not displaying any of the COVID-19 symptoms please send them to school. We are trying our very best to make up for the time missed during lockdown.



COVID-19

Please ensure that if your child has any of the symptoms listed below you follow the government guidance.

Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

What to do if a child is unable to attend school or a setting because they have COVID-19 symptoms

Anyone who develops symptoms of COVID-19, or whose household member develops symptoms, should immediately self-isolate. They should not attend school or setting and should follow the steps below:-

1. Parent/Carer should notify school of their child's absence by phone.
2. Parent/Carer should contact 111 for advice.
3. The person with symptoms should isolate for 10 days starting from the first day of their symptoms and the rest of their household for 14 days.
4. The school will advise that the pupil must be tested as soon as possible. This would also apply to any parent, household member or member of staff who develops symptoms.

Please let school know immediately of the results of the test (positive or negative).

New Procedures

Many thanks to you all for using the one-way systems, staying 2m apart and wearing face coverings. All of the measures are in place to keep the members of our school community safe.

Risk assessments have been carried out and therefore the amount of people on the school site needs to be controlled. Please drop off and collect your child/ren at the correct times: KS2 pupils and younger siblings 8.45am and 3.10pm. KS1 pupils 9am and 3pm.

Flu Nasal Spray Immunisations

All pupils in school will be offered a flu nasal spray on Thursday 5th November. Further information to follow.



Parent Consultations - Autumn Term

A letter giving details of the dates for our upcoming parent consultations will be coming home with your child shortly. Please complete and send back to school and an invitation will be issued to you.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Dean".

Mrs J Dean
Headteacher