

NEWSLETTER

WE 16th October 2020

Message from Head of Academy

Doncaster is now classified as being in the high risk category of the government's new tier system. Please ensure that you are following government advice. We need to keep each other in mind when we are making choices about our daily lives. We continue to follow our school routines and rules around hand washing and social distancing, so we would ask you to continue to support this in the community - especially during half term. I specifically stress the rules around households mixing and social distancing. Note that support bubbles are classed as one household that joins with another household, which has one member in the home.

Please see the following website for more information on the High risk category rules:
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-covid-alert-level-high>

Half term is around the corner—please do take some well earned rest for yourselves and the children!

General illness

Please note that if your child is ill and are unsure whether they have COVID symptoms, please consult the information to the right.

If you are still unsure, please call 119 who can advise you on the symptoms and advise a course of action.

General illness should be treat as normal but if you are unsure please call 119 for further clarification from medical experts.

You must still call school for general illness to report absence.

COVID 19 Symptoms

Please remember that if a child has one of the following symptoms, they should not attend school. You should then request a test and attend the test, informing school of the results.

SYMPTOMS:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste.

To book a test you call 119 or visit:
<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Attendance TARGET 96%	% WEEK	% YEAR
Nursery	88	96
Reception	97	96
Year 1	93	92
Year 2	93	96
Year 3	89	90
Year 4	99	97
Year 5	99	99
Year 6	96	97
Whole school	95	95

Stars of the week	Name
Nursery	Piper Rae
Reception	Taylor
Year 1	Brayden
Year 2	Savannah
Year 3	Seanna
Year 4	Alfie and Cesar
Year 5	Kiziah
Year 6	Will and Amir

Note: These figures are not impacted by COVID isola-

Free courses

The council have made us aware of some free adult learning courses, which are available online.

To be eligible, you just need to be:

- Over 19
- Living in England
- Not on an Apprenticeship

Simply click on the link to start your enrolment www.wefindanylearner.com/book-online/ or call the friendly team on **01226 958 888**.

Reading Bags and Records

We are so pleased with the uptake in home reading this year — it really does make a difference. We would encourage reading bags to be brought every day, but if these are lost, new ones can be purchased or we can provide a plastic wallet.

Hand washing

We have a small number of children coming into school with dirty hands and nails. We encourage children to wash their hands regularly in school, to help us combat COVID 19. Can you please ensure that children wash their hands (and nails if necessary) before they come into school.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>

Universal free school meals

Across the country, all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal. We would actively encourage parents to consider opting to have a free school meal, as this could save families an estimated £500 a year.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and you would like to take the option of the free school meal, then please contact Mrs Freemans—**please remember this is free for all pupils in the classes listed regardless of your circumstance.**

Oracy homework

Each week, we set a short oracy homework task which involves having a conversation for 5-10 minutes with your child. This week the task is:

What is the last dream that you remember? What happened?

Diary Dates

7th September to 30th November	Year 5 will be going swimming each week. They will be back at school for 3.15pm.
Friday 23rd October	School closed for half term
Monday 2nd November	School reopens
Wednesday 25th November	Flu Jabs taking place in school
Friday 18th December	School closes for Christmas
Monday 4th January	School reopens There is no training day

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