

Ofsted
...a good school



"Learning Together to be the best we can".

Newsletter 560

24th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,



For this edition of the newsletter I have decided to focus on **COVID-19** in order to provide everyone with some reminders, updates and clarifications. I appreciate that the majority of people will already know this information and although I do not wish to offend anyone, I am only trying to ensure we are all collectively working together to ensure everyone in our school community is kept as safe as possible.

- 1 Please arrive as close to your allotted time for drop off and pick up as possible to avoid unnecessary congestion at the top of the drive. Both Mrs Taroni and myself work hard on the gate to keep the flow of pedestrians as fluid as we can.
- 2 We ask that only one parent accesses the site to allow for social distancing. This sometimes means that we have additional adults waiting at the top of the drive again causing unnecessary congestion. Therefore, if it is absolutely necessary that two adults bring/collect their children to/from school, I would ask the adult not entering the site to wait away from the school either further down the road or across the road.
- 3 **NO PARKING or STOPPING on the zig zag lines at any times.** I, along with many parents, find it unbelievable that despite us putting cones out some parents still decide to ignore all these preventative measures to keep our children safe. We need to avoid any unnecessary congestion at the top of the drive to ensure we can appropriately social distance when arriving and leaving the school site. Please walk on the path through the small gate on the way down the to school and back up the driveway and through the big gate on the way out of school.
- 4 Please always adhere to social distancing and ensure your child remains with you at all times when on the school site. Children should not be playing on any equipment either at the start or the end of the school day. Warwickshire have circulated a poster (posted in this newsletter) to encourage parents to wear face masks on and around school sites.

Guidance around family members displaying symptoms

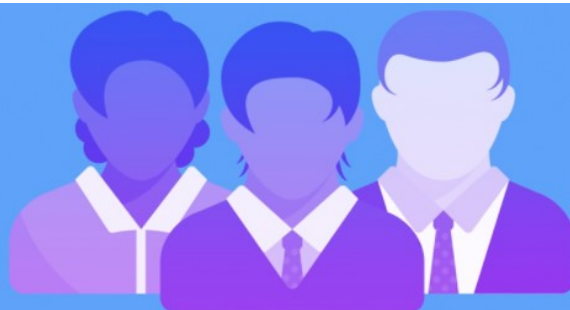
- 1 If anyone in your household displays any one of the top three symptoms: A new continuous or worsening cough A high temperature A loss of taste and smell **the whole household must self-isolate and the person with symptoms needs to get a test ASAP.**

Continued

2. When the test result is known - if the test result is negative the members of the household can stop self isolating and we need to be informed by sending an message via the MyEd app. This should be done as soon as the test result is received even if this is in the evening or at the weekend.
3. If the result is positive you must ring school straightaway irrespective of the time it is. We are in the process of setting up an out of hours number which we will let you know as soon as possible by MyEd. Do not leave a message on the school answering machine. We will then get straight to work to contact Public Health who will advise us through the process of self-isolating contacts. Acting swiftly, we enable us to stop the spread quickly. The person with a confirmed case should self isolate for 10 days. If after 10 days they have been clear of a temperature for the last 48 hours they can end their isolation. Contacts of the confirmed case will need to self isolate for 14 days.
4. If a member of your household is identified as a close contact, it is only them that need to self-isolate and everyone else can go about their business as usual. If the household member then goes on to develop symptoms, then you need to follow the process from point 1 above.

I hope all of the above has been helpful and I wish to express my sincere thanks to all of the parents who have been supporting us while we navigate our way through changes to our school during this unprecedented time.

Mrs Forshaw
Headteacher



**If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste**

**This could be a sign of
coronavirus**

Book a test

**If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell**

**But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste**

**These are
not normally symptoms of
coronavirus**

**Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP**



**Parents/carers -
keep a safe
social distance
at the school
gates.**

**let's do the
right thing**
for Warwickshire



**let's do the
right thing**
for Warwickshire

**Parents/carers - if
you want to keep in
touch with other
parents, please use
social media.**



Year 2

Wow what a great first few weeks we have had in Year 2, it has been wonderful to see so many happy faces skipping into school each morning. The children have settled into routines really well and have enjoyed lots of discussion times sharing their 'lockdown' experiences. We have made a steady start with our maths and phonics learning and the children seem to be enjoying the routine. We've all become very good at the 'wash your hands' song, and we've made a great start to our 'Continents' topic creating a papier mache globe and have already received some fantastic home learning. Well done Year 2, you've come back to school very well and are being excellent role models for our younger year groups.



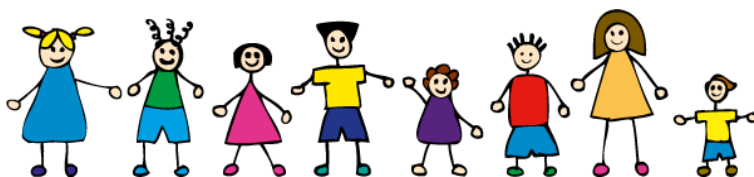
Year 1

The children have made a super start to Year One! They have settled quickly into new routines and have thoroughly enjoyed re-connecting with each other. We have spent the first couple of weeks making sure that they children are happy and excited about school and they tell us "we are"! We have made lots of opportunities to talk to the children and get to know them. They have enjoyed painting, physical activities and games as well as play and conversation. Time has been spent decorating our happiness boxes. We have gently introduced the children to our first topic "My World and Me". They have completed several practical maths sessions and consolidated previous knowledge of numbers to 20 before we begin to move forward in the next couple of weeks. We are very proud of Year One and have made a positive start to our year together. Well done children!



Year R

The children in Reception have settled into school really well and are quickly learning rules and routines - well done! This week we have been learning the nursery rhyme Incy Wincy Spider and have enjoyed making our own pictures and models of spiders. We are doing lots of activities to help strengthen the muscles in our hands and fingers to help us to use a pencil with control.



Library Books

Next week we will start sending out library books again. They will be sent out on a Friday and will need to be returned on the following Tuesday. This will allow a resting time for the books before going out again. If books are not returned on a Tuesday your child will not receive a book on the Friday.



Painting Tee Shirt

Can the children bring an old oversized tee shirt or shirt to be used as an overall for painting activities. These will stay in school for half a term and returned to be washed at the end of every half term. Please make sure your child's name is in the tee shirt. Thank you.



Parental Consultations

Please note there we have had to make some changes to some dates of the Parental Consultations since the last newsletter.



Please see letter that has gone out by the MyEd App with details of how to book your appointment time with a link to the online booking page on the school website.

Appointments will take place virtually through either zoom, teams or WhatsApp video.

Online booking will be available until Wednesday 30th September.

Monday 5th October - 1SL Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm

Tuesday 6th October - 2Bi Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm
- 1Ir Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm

Wednesday 7th October - 2Fo Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm
- 1SI, 1Fu, 2Bi Parental Consultations - 3.30 - 7.30 pm

Thursday 8th October - 1Fu Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm
- 2Fo, 2McG, 1Ir Parental Consultations - 3.30 - 7.30 pm

Friday 9th October - 2McG Parental Consultations 1 - 4 pm

Reception will be having their parental consultations after the half term holidays.

Monday 9th November - 1 - 4 pm RHu

Tuesday 10th November - 1 - 4 pm RLo

Wednesday 11th November - all Reception 3.30 - 7.30 pm

Thursday 12th November - 1 - 4 pm RDH

MacMillan

This year we are unable to host our annual MacMillan Coffee Morning and as MacMillan cancer support is such an important charity we would still like to raise some money for them. At the end of the week the children will be bringing home a picture of a teapot they have designed themselves with a tea bag for you to enjoy a cup of tea at home. Parent pay will be set up for parents to make an online donation if they wish.



Open Day Virtual Tour

I know many local families will be beginning to think about applying for a reception place for September 2021 and as many of you will know, we usually arrange a couple of Open Days to enable opportunities for families to come and tour the school.

For obvious reasons, this year we will not be able to do this so instead we are preparing a virtual tour to go on our website during October. I would be most grateful if you could pass this message on to families who may be interested in learning more about our school.

Staff Training Days

At the beginning of this term, we communicated to you our training days for this academic year of which one was Friday 23rd October.

On this day, all staff were due to receive updated training on our protective behaviours work that we deliver to children throughout the school year. However, we are unable to do this training virtually as it must be carried out face to face. Due to current restrictions, we are unable to do this in one room due to the amount of staff we have and the necessity to social distance everyone. We have therefore had to postpone this training until later in the year. As a consequence of this, and with the agreement of the full governing body, we have had to make the decision to **cancel 23rd October as a training day** so this will become a normal day and children should attend school. If anyone has any issues over this change, please come and talk to me.

The replacement-training day for this cancelled day will be Friday 30th April, which is the Friday before the May Day Bank Holiday Monday.

Just to reiterate, the remaining days for the rest of this academic year are as follows:

Monday 4th January
Friday 30th April
Monday 7th June

As always thank-you for your support and understanding as we navigate our way through this unusual and unpredictable time.

Term dates - school year 2020 - 2021

Please note some date changes for training days



Week beginning 5th October - Year 1 and 2 Parental Consultations - see in newsletter.
Tuesday 20th October - Nasal Flu vaccines - see in newsletter.
Tuesday 3rd November - School Photographs.
Week beginning 9th November - Year R Parental Consultations - see in newsletter.

Friday 23rd October - Children in school — Staff Training Day is **CANCELLED**.

Friday 23rd October - Children break up for half term.

Monday 2nd November - Children return to school.

Friday 18th December - We break up for Christmas Holidays.
Monday 4th January 2021 - Designated Staff Training Day - School closed to children.
Tuesday 5th January - Children return to school.

Friday 12th February - We break up for half term.
Monday 22nd February - Children return to school.

Thursday 1st April - Children break up for Easter Holidays.
Monday 19th April - Children return to school.

Friday 30th April - Staff Training Day - School closed to children (DATE ADDED).

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday - school closed.

Friday 28th May - We break up for half term.
Monday 7th June - Staff Training Day - School closed to children.
Tuesday 8th June - Children return to school.

Wednesday 21st July 2021 - Children break up for Summer Holidays.

Please see special Census Day menu for next Thursday 1st October.



Fishy Fridays are back...

We want to give our pupils a treat on Fridays so will be offering the following menus in place of our popular deli bags, every Friday from 25th September. *Please order and pay, if applicable, in the usual way.*



Week 1 Fridays 16/10, 13/11, 4/12.

Breaded Fish Fillet or (v) **Pizza** with
Criss Cross Potatoes and Vegetable Sticks
Homemade Sticky Ginger Cake, Fresh Fruit and a Drink



Week 2 Fridays 2/10, 23/10, 20/11, 11/12

Breaded Fish Fillet or (v) **Quorn Nuggets** with
Chips and Vegetable Sticks
Dinky Doughnuts and a Juice Carton

Week 3 Fridays 9/10, 6/11, 27/11

Breaded Fish Fingers or (v) **Breaded Vegetable Fingers** with
Chips and Vegetable Sticks
Homemade 50% Fruit Muffin and a Drink





We are a cashless school!

As we are cashless parents will need parent pay to be able to pay for eg PTA Christmas card fundraising packs and future events etc.

If you need any help downloading and setting up ParentPay please telephone the school office.

Please let your child's teaching assistant know at the door in the morning if there is someone else collecting your child from school.



If you have a message for your child's class teacher please let the school office know before midday if possible so messages can go into registers for the afternoon registration. The office is not always fully staffed in the afternoon for messages to be taken to classes.

The next newsletter will be during the week ending 9th October.

Newsletters are sent to parents via the MyEd App. You will receive an App message with a link to access the newsletter on the school website. Paper copies of newsletters and letters are available from the entrance by the school office, or under the News and Events section on the home page on our school website. The current newsletter is available on the bottom of the home page on the website - www.nathanielnewton.co.uk

Nathaniel Newton Infant School

Victoria Road

Hartshill

Nuneaton

CV10 0LS

Telephone: 02476 392236

E-mail: admin2029@welearn365.com

Website: www.nathanielnewton.co.uk



School Lunch Menu

School lunch full menu is available on our website.



(Week 1) w/c Mondays 21.09, 12.10, 9.11, 30.11.

Hot Deli

Cold Deli

Jacket Potato

Monday	Hot dog	Tuna mayo sandwich	Jacket Potato *
Tuesday	Margherita Pizza	Turkey soft bap	Jacket Potato *
Wednesday	Beefburger in Bap	Cheese soft bap	Jacket Potato *
Thursday	Veggie hot dog	Ham sandwich	Jacket Potato *
Friday	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Jacket Potato *

*** Jacket Potato everyday choice of cheese and beans.**

Week 2 - w/c Mondays 28/09, 19/10, 16/11, 7/12.

Hot Deli

Cold Deli

Jacket Potato

Monday	Chicken fillet wrap	Cheese soft bap	Jacket Potato *
Tuesday	Hot dog	Roast chicken wrap	Jacket Potato *
Wednesday	Beefburger in bap	Ham bap	Jacket Potato *
Thursday	Veggie hot dog	Tuna mayo sandwich	Jacket Potato *
Friday	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Jacket Potato *

Week 3 - w/c Mondays 5/10, 2/11, 23/11, 14/12.

Hot Deli

Cold Deli

Jacket Potato

Monday	Chicken fillet wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Jacket Potato *
Tuesday	Veggie hot dog	Turkey wrap	Jacket Potato *
Wednesday	Beefburger in bap	Tuna mayo soft bap	Jacket Potato *
Thursday	Hot dog	Roast chicken soft bap	Jacket Potato *
Friday	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Fish Friday Menu see in Newsletter	Jacket Potato *

Stars



In our school children are awarded stars for things like good behaviour, good work, trying hard, being polite, bringing homework in, good spelling test results etc in order to reinforce all the positive behaviours we are trying to encourage. Every time the children achieve 10 stars they go to see the Headteacher to get a sticker in their star book. Every time they reach 50 stars they get a sticker and a 'small' prize (usually a pen or a pencil). Each time they reach 100 stars they receive a sticker, a 'big' prize and they are presented with a certificate.

The following children received a prize for 'stars' -

200 Stars
Alfie M 2Bi

300 Stars
Lucy 2McG

400 Stars
Amelia S 2Fo
Elena B 2Fo

Pupil of the Week

Each week a child from each class is chosen as pupil of the week for their class. Children are chosen by their class teacher for reasons such as; working especially hard in a subject area or setting a good example to others with their behaviour. Children are congratulated in the virtual assembly and children will bring a photograph home to parents. Where we have permission, their photograph will also be placed on our website.

Reception children will join in after half term.

Pupil of the week -

2Fo	Leo	Lola
2Bi	Isabelle	Mya
2McG	Oliver	Mason
1Fu	Xin	Jayke
1Ir	Natasha	Declan
1SL	Logan	Leighton

If your child has **sickness or diarrhoea** they cannot come to school for 48 hours after their symptoms have stopped.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment



Data Collection Sheets

These is the information we hold with your child's information and emergency contact details etc.

Please check and amend if necessary and sign the bottom of the form and return it to school in your child's book bag as soon as possible. Thank you.

Whole school Nasal Flu Vaccines Tuesday 20th October

The nursing team will be in school on Tuesday 20th October during the school day.

Nasal Flu Consent Packs will be sent home to parents nearer the time which will need to be completed and sent back to school.

The designated Safeguarding leaders in this school are Mrs Forsheew, Mrs Taroni and Miss Telford. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact them via the school office.

