

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin by thanking everyone for your support with our arrival and dismissal systems. As a result of everyone working together, I believe it is working 'like clockwork' and keeping everyone safe on our site and in the immediate vicinity of our school.



Staff have really enjoyed chatting to you during our parent consultations meetings this week albeit via virtual meetings. I'm sure that this time last year if anyone had suggested the adaptations we would be making to everyday life in 2020 we would never have believed it!!

Our recovery curriculum continues to be going well. The overwhelming majority of children have quickly settled back into school life and the learning behaviours required for successful learning have been firmly embedded. We feel the approach we have taken has been appropriate in that we have gently settled children in with many activities that the children have loved whilst gradually introducing the full curriculum and the demands it brings. Thank-you for your support in filling the 'happiness boxes'. The children have loved using them in school.

Over the coming weeks we will continue implementing the recovery curriculum but will now be focussing on addressing gaps that have been created as a result of lockdown primarily in the key areas of reading, phonics, writing and maths. We will of course be working hard to ensure your child receives a broad and balanced curriculum, but we must prioritise developing key skills to enable children to be successful learners across the curriculum.

As always thanks for your support and don't hesitate to contact any of us if you have any questions, queries or concerns.

Mrs Forshew - Headteacher

#### Important - Out of hours Covid19 positive test reporting line

If your child should receive a POSITIVE Covid19 test result when the school is closed (between 4.15pm - 8am and during the weekend, please call the following number to report this so we can take the make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible.

07726 611994

This number will be constantly monitored between 6am - 11pm but should be used ONLY for reporting positive cases. If the school is open please ring the school number 02476392236.

#### <u>Year R</u>

In Reception we have been busy doing activities all about Humpty Dumpty and especially enjoyed making up our own versions of the nursery rhyme! We have been finding out about different people who help us and thinking about jobs we would like to do when we grow up! This week has been all about Miss Polly and we have been learning about ways to keep healthy.

We watch Number Blocks every week to help us learn all about different numbers. We are very good at counting and recognising numbers 1, 2 and 3.

Keep up the great work children!

#### <u>Year 1</u>

Year One have had fun with numbers over the last couple of weeks and have been investigating and working out the number bonds that together make ten. They have used Numicon to help. As well as addition, the children have been exploring subtraction with number bonds too. In topic, they have been learning their body parts and playing body bingo! Scarecrow making was also very enjoyable and we have been busy working on a little surprise for our parents for later on in the festive season.... The Year One team are, as always, very proud of the children and their enthusiasm for learning.

#### <u>Year 2</u>

It's been getting very cold in Year 2 as we've been learning all about the Continent Antarctica over the last few weeks and we all now know lots of facts about Emperor Penguins. The children created some super fact files and some very detailed drawings of Emperor Penguins too. In maths we have been using our tens and ones to help us add and subtract numbers to 100. We've had some amazing home learning Igloos coming

into school and some children have been busy trying Asian food at home. Lots of children are working hard on their reading in and out of school, remember your child can change their home reading book as regularly as you want and please write a small note in the red home reading book so we know they have been reading. We look forward to talking to parents about all the fantastic work the children have been doing at parents' evening.









# Bikes and Scooters

Please keep children by your side in at all times when bringing/ collecting children from school and do not let them ride bikes and scooters on the school grounds including on the pathways down to school and whilst you are standing waiting for children to go into school.

#### <u>MacMillan</u>

Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation for MacMillan cancer support. We have collected £309.50 so far. If you still wish to make a donation please pay on ParentPay by Monday 12th October. Thank you.

#### Tuesday 3rd November

Individual school photographs will be taken in school during the school day.

Unfortunately we are unable to offer the usual family group photos this year.

There will be more details in the next newsletter.

#### Data Collection Sheets

This 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.

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

#### <u>Parking</u>

Please park considerately when bringing and collecting children from school. For the safety of all children please do not park on the zig zag lines outside the school.

Please consider our neighbours and do not block peoples driveways.

It has been reported that cars are double parking on Church Road by Church Close and the turning circle. This is dangerous and causing poor visibility for cars to overtake putting children in danger.





#### **Important Information**

#### Whole school Nasal Flu Vaccines Tuesday 20th October

Parents have been sent a letter via the MyEd app (and also a paper copy) with the details of the nasal flu vaccinations taking place in school on Tuesday 20th October.

Please click on the link in the letter sent from the immunisation team and complete the electronic consent form to either consent or decline to your child having the flu vaccination. Please do this within 7 days from when the letter went out so by Tuesday 13th October at the latest.

#### Parental Consultations Year R

There will be a letter going out the week ending 23rd October via 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 from Friday 23rd October until Tuesday 3rd November.

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

# Fishy Fridays are back...

FISH & CHIP 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



#### Poppies

We are not able to offer the full range of poppy stationery this year but the The Royal British Legion are delivering us some slap bands at a cost of £1.50. These are usually very popular with the children. If you would like to buy one and help this charity, please purchase on ParentPay. Once purchased, we will send to class to your child to bring home.

These will be available soon on a first come first served basis. We will send parents a MyEd message when they are available to purchase.



# Friends of Nathaniel Newton (Formerly PTA).

### PTA News

We are really sad, that at the moment, we are unable to hold our usual PTA events to raise funds for the little extras and resources that the PTA usually buys. We will continue to try to raise money by carrying out other types of fundraising and we are sure that you will continue to support us in this way until we are through these strange times!

We have this week completed the Christmas card project and the information is below. We are also planning a Halloween themed non-uniform day for the last day of term, as the children will be unlikely to be able to take part in their normal trick or treating. Please see more details below.

Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising and we can't wait to hold an event in which we can all come together again!

# <u>Christmas Cards</u>

This week we will be sending out your child's sample Christmas card artwork in book bags. Christmas cards, gift tags, tea towels, bags and mugs are available to order in your child's own unique design. These make brilliant gifts and have the added bonus of providing extra funds for the school for every order placed. We know from past years that these cards and gifts have been super quality and very popular. All orders need to be placed and paid for on ParentPay by the 18th October. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept orders after this date. If you have not yet activated your ParentPay account, and have mislaid your log in details, please contact the office and we will sent them out to you again.

# Halloween Non-uniform Day - Friday October 23rd

Come dressed in your best spooky outfit for Halloween!

As the children's Halloween is likely to look a little different this year, we would like to see their brilliant costumes and raise money for PTA school funds at the same time!

We will collecting £1 donations in a bucket when children come into school dressed up. Please make sure that your child's costume is warm enough and that they have a coat for outdoor playtime, and that it is comfortable enough for them to stay in throughout the day.







# ParentPay

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.

The next newsletter will be during the week ending 23rd 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

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<u>School Lunch Menu</u> School lunch full menu is available on our website.



(Week 1) w/c Mondays 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 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 *
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<ul> <li>The following children received a prize for 'stars' -</li> <li>100 Stars Braiden 1Fu, Xin 1Fu, Rayyan 1Ir, Kylan 1Fu, Finley 1Fu, Annie 1Fu, Violet 1Ir, Jensen 1Ir, Finley 2Bi.</li> <li>200 Stars Ava 2Fo, Jess 2McG, Kyle 2Fo.</li> <li>300 Stars Mia 2McG, Eva 2McG.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Reception children will join in after half term.</li> <li>Pupil of the week—</li> <li>2Fo Molly</li> <li>2Bi Isabel</li> <li>2McG Brooke</li> <li>1Fu Olivia</li> <li>1Ir Nathan</li> <li>1SL Holly</li> </ul>

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff. volunteers and na to share this co



<u>Open Day Virtual Tour</u> 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 later in 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.

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



Call 07857 668320 to book.



BOOK YOUR PLACES: 07857 668320 OR INFO@PIFOUNDATION.CO.UK

All staff hold an up to date DBS & minimum Level 3 qualification.





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





## Term dates - school year 2020 - 2021

#### Please note some date changes for training days



Tuesday 20th Öctober Tuesday 3rd November	- Year 1 and 2 Parental Consultations - see in newsletter. - Nasal Flu vaccines - see in newsletter. - School Photographs. - Year R Parental Consultations - see in newsletter. - Non Uniform Day - Halloween - see in newsletter.
Friday 23rd October	- Children break up for half term.
Monday 2nd November	- Children return to school.
Week beginning 9th November	r - Year R Parental Consultations.
Friday 18th December Monday 4th January 2021 Tuesday 5th January	- We break up for Christmas Holidays. - Designated Staff Training Day - School closed to children. - Children return to school.
Friday 12th February Monday 22nd February	- We break up for half term. - Children return to school.
Thursday 1st April Monday 19th April	- Children break up for Easter Holidays. - Children return to school.
Friday 30th April	- Staff Training Day - School closed to children
Monday 3rd May	- Bank Holiday - school closed.
Friday 28th May Monday 7th June Tuesday 8th June	- We break up for half term. - Staff Training Day - School closed to children. - Children return to school.
Wednesday 21st July 2021	- Children break up for Summer Holidays.