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Dear Parents/Carers,

After a tricky couple of weeks with some classes having to self-isolate, I am thrilled that we are close to having a full school back and this will hopefully be fully achieved on Monday when 1I come back to school. The staff and children who have had to self-isolate have all been absolutely delighted to be back in school when they have been able to return.



I would like to thank all our parents who have been so supportive with the decisions we have had to take and for the support you have been giving your child with their home learning. Please look out for a letter next week regarding our home learning policy which explains in more detail the expectations both from school and home.

I do hope that over the next few weeks we can remain fully operational and keep the virus at bay so I once again thank those of you who are supporting us outside of school by doing the right thing by following the latest guidelines. **I would also like to take this opportunity to remind everyone about the wearing of masks on the school site, only one adult per child coming onto the school site, not congregating at the top of the drive as well as socially distancing from other families.**

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Forshew

Performance consent forms

We have sent a consent form out via MyEd/text in order for your child to be able to take part in our virtual Christmas performances and assemblies in the new year. Thanks to all that have completed and submitted this. **IF YOU HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

School Crossing Patrol

Please can we remind everyone not to park on the zig zags lines outside the school.

This is for the safety of all our children in school and Links children and so the school crossing patrol can have the visibility to cross everyone safely across the road.



Year R

We have been doing lots of work about birthdays in Reception. We have made cards and party hats and made a repeating pattern to make our own wrapping paper. We have been using our phonics to help us write sounds and words and wrote a list of ingredients that Kipper used to put in his cake. In maths we have been learning all about the number 5 and have been finding different ways to make 5 using the Numicon.



To help us learn our red words, we have a word of the week. Remember to keep practising your red words at home too!

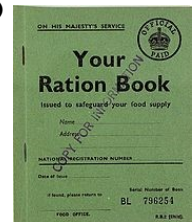
Year 1

Year One have been finding out fascinating facts about trees! We started our new topic with a walk around our school grounds and little wooded area exploring and spotting signs of autumn. The children made some super observations of the changes that occur in autumn and then were busy making autumn crowns out of leaves that they collected. We have discovered that trees are amazing and very important for lots of reasons. We know all about the parts of a tree and the jobs that the different parts do. In Maths, we have been learning the names of 3D shapes and folding 2D shapes into quarters. The children were very good at identifying which shapes could be folded into quarters and which couldn't! They have also been busy looking for missing numbers in sequences by using their magic rules to detect which numbers were not there. Year One are working very hard and making their teachers very proud.



Year 2

Well done Year 2 you've been working really hard in maths this week with 2D and 3D shapes. The children have been concentrating carefully to create their own gas mask box out of a 3D net and then they wrote some fantastic instructions to explain how they made it. They have also been busy learning about rations and finding fractions of amounts to work out how much food each family would get in the war. Also in our topic the children have been learning a short evacuee poem and recited it in front of each other. Keep up the fantastic work.



P.E. — Reminder

On your child's class P.E. day can all children wear black track suit bottoms or leggings on their bottom half and trainers on their PE days. Children should wear uniform on their top half.

P.E. days are -

Year 2 - Tuesday and Thursday

Year 1 - Monday and Wednesday

Year R - Friday

Privacy Notice

We have recently updated our privacy information to explain when we may need to share some personal information with public health agencies. Individuals have the right to object to such data sharing. Full information of these changes can be found in our Privacy Notice on the school website under 'Our School' 'Our policies'.



Christmas Cards.

We are happy to allow children to send Christmas cards in for their friends, but we will need to do this in a way that is safe. **Therefore, cards need to be sent in by Friday 11th December.** Cards will be stored in school and will be sent out on Monday 14th December. **We will not accept any cards into school to be distributed after Friday 11th December.**



Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 11th December

We would love the children to wear a Christmas themed top or jumper and bring in a donation (suggested £1) for the "Save the Children" charity. Staff will be joining in too!

If your child doesn't have a festive jumper you could tinsel up an ordinary jumper with sequins and snowmen etc. Children can wear non school uniform on their bottom half.



School Christmas Dinner Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Dinner day is by pre-order which have now been ordered.



Party Day Thursday 17th December

We will be holding a party day for the children in their classrooms on Thursday 17th December where they will take part in party games and have lots of Christmas fun.

Children may wear party clothes on this day but clothing and footwear must be appropriate for playing outside.



Arrangements for the last day of term Friday 18th December

Toy Day

On the last day of term (Friday 18th December) we are giving the children the opportunity to bring a toy or game in from home to play with on this day. **However, as a result of the current situation, we need toys to be in school by the start of the day on Tuesday 15th December** in order that we can quarantine them before children use them on the Friday. Children are welcome to bring them in on the Monday or the Tuesday, whichever suits you best. **We will not be able to accept any toys into school after Tuesday 15th December.**

As always, please don't send anything in that has lots of small pieces that could get lost, anything very expensive or precious. Consideration will also need to be given to the fact that whichever toy your child chooses they will not be able to play with it between it coming into school and the last day of term.

School dinner on Friday 18th December will be a plated Christmas buffet lunch.

Children should wear school uniform on the last day of term.

Friends of Nathaniel Newton (Formerly PTA).



Christmas Raffle

We are very sad that this year we have not been able to hold our Christmas Fayre but are pleased to say that the fantastic amount of orders that we received for Christmas Cards and gifts raised over £500 for the school!

Earlier in the year you were very generous in sending in gift donations for non-uniform days which we intended to raffle at our Summer Fayre. As this has not taken place we are going to hold a Christmas raffle and have created some prize 'hampers'. Tickets are £1.00 via Parent Pay and a letter is going home today with more details. Good luck and thank you for your continued support to fund the 'little extras' for your child's time at Nathaniel Newton.



An example of one of our fantastic prize hampers!

Child Absent from School

It is really important that we know why your child is absent from school.



If your child is absent please let the school know as early as possible but by 9.30 am at the latest. There is an absence message line on telephone system. Please ring the school on 02476 392236 and to report a child absent please press 1 and leave a message on the absence line. Alternatively you can send us a message on the MyEd app.

Messages

If you have messages for your child's class teacher, please let your child's class teaching assistant know who will be on the year group group doors in the morning.

If you have a message for your child's teacher which you did not know in the morning please let the school office know by telephone before 12 o'clock if possible so messages can go in the afternoon registers.

Road Works

Please be aware that the week beginning Monday 30th November there will be gas works taking place along Victoria Road. Some pavement may be partly closed so please take special care when walking to and from school with your children.

Open Day Virtual Tour

Our virtual open day of the school is now available on the school website under the 'Our School' section and on our school facebook page.

Reminder—if children are late and year group doors are open please join the back of the queue to go into school.

Stars



The following children received a prize for 'stars' -

100 Stars

Nathan 1Ir.

200 Stars

Daisy 1Sl, Jayden 2Bi, Daisy 2Bi, Isobel 2Bi, Gabriella 2McG, Olly 2McG, Mason 2McG, Jovan 2Fo, Anvi 1Fu, Ashley 1Fu, Ava 1Ir, Lawson 1Ir.

300 Stars

Amelia 2Bi, Gracie 2McG, Emily 2McG, Isabelle 2Fo.

400 Stars

Sophie 2Fo, Kamil 2Fo.

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.

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

Isolation period – contact outside the home

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25

Isolation period



Day of exposure/ contact with person who later tested positive







Day to return to usual activities

- You need to isolate for 14 days from the last exposure. With the day of exposure being day 0.
- You may not know you were exposed on this day until later, but you work it out from your last contact with that person while they were infectious (see close contact flow chart)
- So if you were in contact with a person who tested positive on a Wednesday, you would need to isolate for the following two Wednesdays returning to usual activity on the Thursday.
- Isolation above is 7th to the 21st returning to usual activity the 22nd.

Isolation period – house hold contact

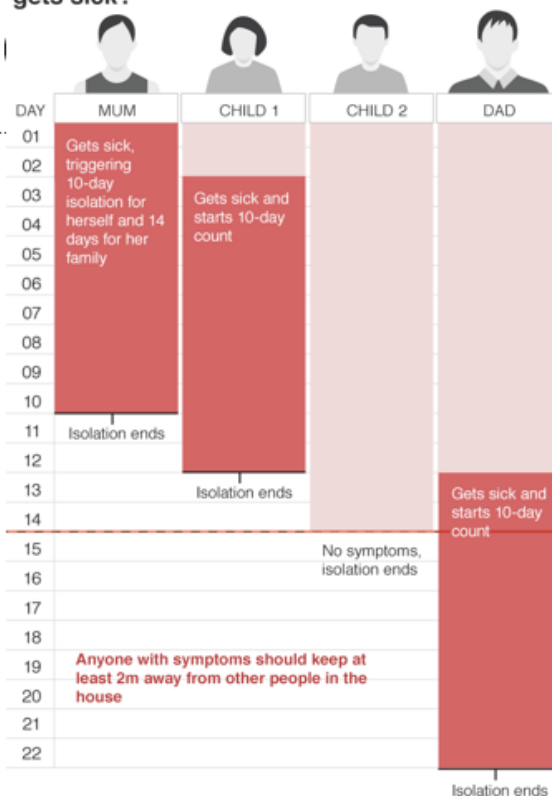
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Isolation period

-  Person 1 Develops Symptoms
-  Household self isolate
-  Person 1 returns to usual activities
-  Household return to usual activities

- You need to isolate for 14 days from the first day of symptoms for the person who tested positive.
- Person who tested positive isolates for 10 days. The first day is day 1.

What happens if someone in your family gets sick?



People may be able to pass on coronavirus without showing any symptoms
Source: Public Health England advice

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



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



The next newsletter will be on the 11th December.

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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School Lunch Menu

School lunch full menu is available on our website.



(Week 1) w/c Mondays 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 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 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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Term dates - school year 2020 - 2021



Friday 11th December	- Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 16th December	- Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 18th December	- Christmas - Plated Christmas buffet school dinner
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
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.

Important information

Can I remind everyone that it is incredibly important that everyone follows guidelines and if any member of the family develop symptoms, that the whole family self-isolate whilst they await a test for the family member displaying symptoms. By doing this we can endeavour to stop cases coming into school.

It is also important that if you child is unwell you keep them at home - guidance at the minute is to be cautious where you feel your child is a little under the weather.

We have been asked by Public Health to reiterate that all the evidence is suggesting that adults are the main transmitters of coronavirus and not children as many people believe. There have been incidences across the county where adults have been displaying symptoms but have still sent children to school. They have then only then kept them at home when they receive a positive test result. The guidance states if any family member develops symptoms the whole household self isolates until the test result is known.

I thank all those families who are supporting us by following guidance to the letter - if everyone does this we can hopefully contain the spread of Covid-19.

