



The Communicator

Friday 11th September 2020

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Best attending class last week was Year 3 98.9 at %

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Thank you for being so patient this week as we all adjust to a new way of operating in school. Children are settling well into school life again and have really adjusted to our new way of operating. Please remember to maintain social distancing from other families and keep your children with you at all times- they should not be running around the school grounds and potentially bursting the bubbles that we are trying so hard to protect. Please also ensure that your child is not coming to school earlier than their drop-off time:

Nursery and Year 3: 8.45am

Reception and Year 4: 8:50am

Year 1 and Year 5: 8.55am

Year 2 and Year 6: 9:00am

Please do not come to the school office unless in an emergency. Only one person is allowed into the school reception area at a time. Please respect this and telephone school wherever possible. Thank you.

Uniform- Thank you to all parents who have sent their children in black school shoes this week- the children look so much smarter in their correct uniform. Please ensure that ALL items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name please. This includes PE kits and even shoes where possible. Please also be mindful of our school policy for appropriate hairstyles- long hair should be tied back neatly, shaved hair, dyed hair and fashion styles are not appropriate for school. Large bows and accessories are not necessary and often distract children from learning- we would appreciate if you keep hair-styles as neat and simple as possible. Thank you.

Book Bags- Please ensure children bring their book bags into school every day. These are essential to enable staff to send letters home and for children to transport their reading books and diaries to and from school.

PE Days for Autumn Term- Children need to come to school in their full PE kit on their designated PE day; this must include jogging bottoms and trainers.

Nursery- Tuesdays (Nursery will also have PE on Mondays, starting in a few weeks once they have settled. Miss Bridges will inform you when this happens)

Reception- Tuesday and Friday

Y1- Wednesday and Friday

Y2- Tuesday and Wednesday

Y3- Wednesday and Thursday

Y4- Tuesday and Wednesday

Y5- Monday and Wednesday

Y6- Monday and Thursday

Water Bottles- in line with the national Healthy Schools initiative, our school policy is that parents only send plain water in their children's bottles. Please do not send juice or other drinks in their water bottles as we do not want children to be drinking sugary drinks at school. Staff will be unable to distinguish between sugary and sugar-free juice brought in from home and we do have to follow the same policy for everyone. Children are allowed a drink of juice at lunchtime.

Parents' Evening is currently scheduled for week being Monday 9th November. Currently, we are aiming to organise telephone appointments. Further details will follow in the coming weeks.

WOW award



Nursery - Rory Castrey

Reception - Harri Hargreaves

Year 1 - Skylar Statham

Year 2 - Oliver White

Year 3 - Persayus Doherty

Year 4 - Matilda Hellawell

Year 5 - Bailey Sandbach

Year 6 - Ryan Murray

Values and Virtues (Curious and Active)

Nursery - Sophia Gromova

Reception - Ethan Bewley

Year 1 - Tiffany-Mary Jones

Year 2 - Alfie Potts

Year 3 - Leo Wiltshaw

Year 4 - Josh Ikedinski

Year 5 - Freya Barcroft

Year 6 - Julius Ward

Presentation award

(for presenting work to a very high standard)

Nursery - Jorgie Malkin

Reception - Roya Mahmood

Year 1 - Grace-Gilbert Edwards

Year 2 - Ann-Lorraine Cabalbal Agsalda

Year 3 - Jax Jordan

Year 4 - Winnie Maughan

Year 5 - George Goldspink

Year 6 - Poppy Hiller

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Sunday Mass Times

St Josephs

Sat 6:30pm Sun: 11:00am

English Martyr's

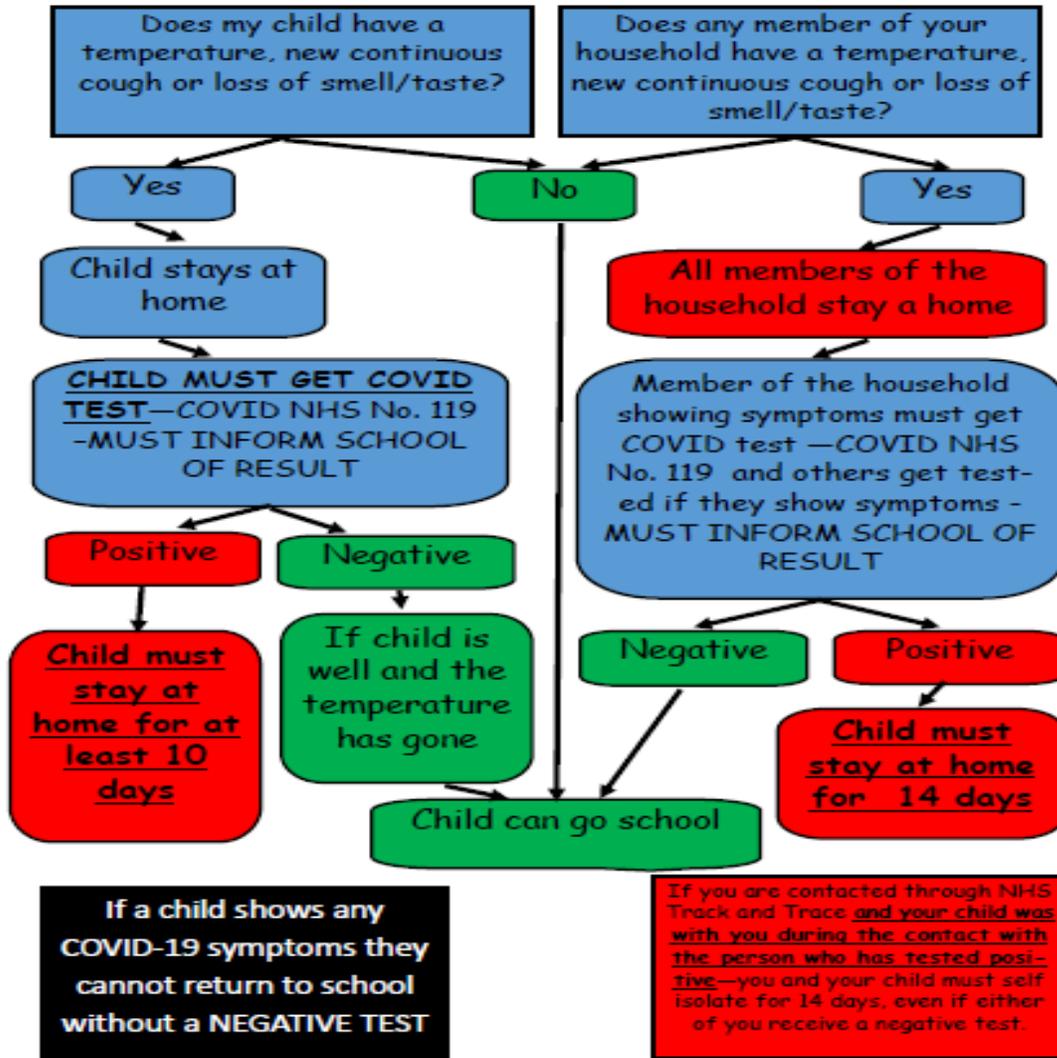
Sun 9:00am and 10:00am

Please ensure that you supervise your children carefully before school starts and after you have collected them at home time to avoid accidents and other children being hurt. Children should not be playing on playground

Children displaying symptoms:

Inevitably, over the course of the next few weeks, your children may develop symptoms of the common cold and other winter bugs. This is natural at this time of year, especially as the children have been apart for such a long time. However, it is important that you are vigilant, and if your child displays symptoms of Covid-19, you must follow guidance to protect our school community. The flowchart below outlines the procedure to follow with regards to symptoms. We will, of course, keep you informed of any positive test results within the school community as advised by the Public Health England.

COVID Symptoms At Home Flow Chart



School Lunches-We continue to operate a one-choice menu (please see menu on Parent tab of the website). We will always offer a vegetarian option. However, due to issues with supply and deliveries which are out of our control, we hope that you understand we may occasionally need to offer a substitute- this will be an option that the catering staff know the children generally enjoy. Please note: on a Wednesday, when the menu choice is a bap or jacket potato, we have decided to also offer the most popular choice with children: either sausage or pizza. I am sure you can appreciate that since the kitchen staff are currently having no contact with the children, we are trying to cater for them the best we can in the circumstances.

Home-School Agreement reminder- please sign and return to school as soon as possible by next Friday 18th September at the latest. Copies can be found on the Coronavirus page of the school website.

Class Masses- as we are currently unable to celebrate whole-school or Key Stage Masses, individual classes will be attending St Joseph's Church for class Masses throughout the term. No parishioners will attend these Masses and children will be following all health and safety procedures.



Ten: Ten parent newsletter: please follow this link to access this week's parent newsletter: <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/>