



25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

# NEWSLETTER

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## Dates for your Diary

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> October

**PRIMARY MACMILLAN CANCER  
SUPPORT FUNDRAISER**

Further details to follow

Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> October - 7.00pm

**LINK ASSOCIATION AGM - via Zoom**

Further details to follow

26<sup>th</sup> October – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**HALF TERM - No School**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**END OF TERM - EARLY CLOSURE  
FOR PUPILS**

Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**STAFF INSET DAY**

Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL  
FOR THE SPRING TERM**

15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**SPRING HALF TERM - No School**

Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

**END OF TERM - EARLY CLOSURE  
FOR PUPILS**

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> April

**STAFF INSET DAY**

Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> April

**PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL  
FOR THE SUMMER TERM**

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**BANK HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL**

31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**SUMMER HALF TERM - No School**

## A Message from Sandy

This week, after learning that one of our young people has tested positive for Covid 19, we had to enforce a period of self isolation for some members of the primary school.

We acted swiftly and positively and I would like to thank those parents who have sent in their gratitude for the seamless way in which we handled the situation.

In school, when anyone has a test that proves positive, the whole bubble that person is in and anyone who has had direct contact with them, has to self isolate for 14 days.

Other family members do not have to isolate, unless anyone within that family contracts symptoms. Should the person in isolation, or any member of the family contract symptoms, they are advised to be tested for C-19.

After 14 days of self isolation, (from the last time you had contact with C-19 positive person) as long as you are well and are displaying no symptoms, you can return to school.

During the period of isolation, work has been provided - be it work and activity packs, zoom sessions or links to familiar educational programs used at school.

Our young people who are entitled to a free school meal have been contacted and a supermarket gift card of your choice will be sent to you, either in electronic form to your email or by post.

Our risk assessments ensure a thorough cleaning regime is carried out regularly throughout the day within each bubble and across the school, but an additional deep clean has been arranged with germicidal spray being used throughout the school.

The majority of our risk assessments are dynamic and are constantly being updated as we observe, assess and analyse and I will be holding a zoom meeting with primary parents on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm to discuss the additional risk measures we have introduced which I hope will allay any fears you have and that you feel comfortable and secure about your child returning to school.

We have attached the 'Parental Guide to Pupil Absence' again this week. This is a quick reference guide detailing what steps you should take if your child develops any symptoms of C-19.

For those of you who may be concerned or worried about what to do, please contact the school office and we will advise you the best course of action to take.

I will also remind you of our emergency out of school contact number that you can use should you have a need to.

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A rather long, but important message from me this week.

I close on a happy note as I can advise I heard from the family who tested positive and am pleased to let you know they are all well, and our young person is ready to return to school (observing the PHE guidance re their return).

*Sandy*

### **WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE LINK?**

At the secondary school, Tomlin Class have been busy sorting everyday objects into natural and man made materials, identifying materials and their properties.



This will lead into learning about the impact that using some materials have on the environment.



Meanwhile, at the primary school in Acorn Class, they have been reinforcing the Zones of Regulation, helping the youngest in our schools learn how to self-regulate and to recognize their feelings and temperament.



In Willow Class, they have been reinforcing shape work in Maths - so many different 2D shapes around us everywhere!

## HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY



Those enjoying their celebratory hot chocolate this Friday, were

Aaron for his **kindness** in helping and being kind to his classmates.

Rossana for her **resilience, success and positivity** in overcoming her nerves and helping to run the library and producing a high quality piece of written work her magazine project.

Maria (SSA) for **success and positivity** in helping Johnson Class to run so efficiently, particularly with college days being run from school over the last few weeks.

AND FINALLY .....

OUR THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

# IT'S **OK** TO MAKE MISTAKES.



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