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LOUDWATER UPDATE

Friday 3rd September 2021

Dear Parents,

Important Calendar Dates

- W/c Monday 6th September** – Swimming Lessons Start (see below)
- Tuesday 7th September** – Year 6 only-Secondary School Transfer Practice Test
- Thursday 9th September** – Year 6 only-Secondary School Transfer Test
- Wednesday 8th September** – Foundation Stage children start part time.

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week; they all seem very happy and generally pleased to be returning to their new classes. I very much hope that this year will see a return to normal operation of the school and the return of some activities that we have not been able to engage in over the past 18 months.

Coronavirus Information

I am sure that you are aware that there have been changes to the requirements regarding the need to self-isolate if you are a close contact of someone who tests positive for coronavirus. I hope that the following will be useful in explaining how this impacts on children attending school.

- If your child has symptoms of coronavirus they should not come to school and they should have a PCR test. If the test is negative they may return to school immediately, as long as they are well enough. If the test is positive they should remain at home for 10 days before returning to school.
- If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus whilst they are at school we will contact you to collect them. They should have a PCR test to determine whether they have coronavirus.
- If there is a case of coronavirus in your child's class we will contact you to make you aware of this and we will aim to provide some indication whether your child has been in close contact with the child in question. We would advise that all children in the class have a PCR test. Children may continue to attend school whilst they wait for the test result, however if they develop symptoms they should remain at home.
- Children may still attend school if someone in their household has tested positive for coronavirus or if someone has symptoms and is awaiting test results. This will help minimise any further disruption to children's education. If you need help in getting your child to school in this event, please contact the school office and we will do what we can to help.
- If there are several cases in one class we will seek advice from the Local Authority and Public Health as to whether other children will need to self-isolate and advise you accordingly. It is no longer the case that one positive result in a class will mean all the children need to self-isolate.

- In the event of children needing to self-isolate we will provide remote education for these children, however if children are unwell we do not expect them to participate in any form of learning until they are better.

PE and Swimming

Children should continue to come to school wearing their PE kit on the days they have PE. Weather permitting, swimming lessons will start next week. Children should come in wearing their PE kit and bring their swimming kit in with them.

The days for each class are as follows:

Foundation Stage to be confirmed

Year One Monday and Wednesday

Year Two Monday and Friday

Year Three Tuesday and Thursday (swimming)

Year Four Tuesday (swimming) and Friday

Year Five Tuesday and Friday (swimming)

Year Six Monday and Wednesday (swimming)

Year 2 will start swimming next summer.

Once swimming lessons finish for the year, your child's swimming day will become a normal PE lesson.

Uniform

Our school uniform supplier, Different Class, are experiencing difficulties with their suppliers at the moment and some of the school uniform has been delayed by a few weeks. We understand that quite a few parents will have been trying to purchase school uniform over the summer holidays and they may not have received it yet.

If your child has uniform with the old school logo on it and it still fits or uniform handed down from a sibling, it is fine for them to wear to school. For children who have outgrown their uniform or for our new Foundation Stage children, please send your child to school in suitable clothing. For example, a navy or black sweatshirt, preferably plain.

Little Strummers Music Lessons

Little Strummers will be returning to school to teach guitar and ukulele. After virtual lessons for the past year or so, it will be great to welcome them back into school. If you think this is something your child would be interested in, please contact the school office.

Yours faithfully

Clare Cunningham

Mrs C Cunningham
Head teacher

Update

As you are aware we have moved to sending out our update via email. Due to the GDPR, we are only able to continue sending out to those of you who have agreed, by email, for us to do so. If you know of anyone not receiving their weekly newsletter please make them aware of this procedure.

Disclaimer

From time to time we are asked by a range of organisations to give out leaflets. We always agree if we think this could be of interest or benefit to the children. However we

do not endorse any of these organisations and parents should always check their credentials carefully to make sure children would be safe and well looked after.

Term Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn term begins	Thursday 2 nd September (this is different for children starting in Foundation Stage)
Half term break	Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October
Christmas break	Monday 20 th December – Wednesday 5 th January
Training day	Friday 18 th February
Half term break	Monday 21 st February – Friday 25 th February
Easter break	Monday 11 th April – Friday 22 nd April
Training day	Friday 27 th May
Half term break	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June
Training day	Friday 1 st July
Summer break	Friday 22 nd July

Further calendar dates will follow next week.