



NEWSLETTER - October 2020

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My goodness, October is here already. The children have all settled back into school routines really well and we are enjoying getting to know all of our new children in Nursery and Reception. The team and I are very grateful for all of the support that you have given over the past month. Thank you for helping us to keep the school community safe by keeping children off school when unwell and booking Covid tests when the children or family members are displaying potential symptoms. We are also grateful for you keeping us up to date with test results and ensuring that self-isolation and quarantine periods are strictly adhered to. We have all had to make so many adjustments but I am sure you agree that is a small price to pay to have all of the children safely back in school. Ms Mohammed

Covid- 19 Updates and Clarification

As you know , the guidance and rules are constantly changing as the situation evolves. We do try and keep you informed regularly. The latest guidance states that if a child or member of staff tests positive, then only those children/adults that have been in close contact have to isolate. This means that the whole 'bubble' may not need to isolate if they have not been in close contact (1m for longer than 15minutes). This was the case for us last week, when one class out of the 3 had to isolate as one person tested positive. The families of the children that were sent home to isolate do not have to isolate nor any siblings in school, unless they start to develop symptoms.

If you or anyone in your family develop symptoms, then you and your family **MUST** isolate, book a test and wait for the results. You **MUST** let the school know that the family is isolating, who has the symptoms and then let us know of the results as soon as possible. You **MUST** let the school know first before informing members of the community so that we can act swiftly and accordingly. If the tests come back negative, then the child can come back to school.

Please remember to wear a mask on the playground, adhere to the 2M social distance rules and leave the playground as quickly as possible following the one way system.

Staff updates;

We wish Mrs Costa the very best as she embarks on her maternity leave at the end of this half term. Mrs Costa has been supporting the catch up in Y5 this half term.

We would also like to welcome Miss Goodwin to the Y4 team. She will replace Miss Fordham when she leaves to start her maternity leave in January. Miss Goodwin will start working alongside Miss Fordham from November to ensure it is a seamless transition for the children.

Parents Evening

The dates for the 10 minute parents' phone call are be:

Tuesday 20th October, Wednesday 22nd October or Thursday 21st October. A separate letter has been sent out about this, if you have not already booked your slot, can you do this via the online booking system.

Carfield Friends

As the PTA will be restricted in their fundraising events and efforts this year, they've registered **CARFIELD FRIENDS** with #easyfundraising, which means over 4,000 shops and sites will now donate to us for **FREE** every time you use #easyfundraising to shop with them.

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