



NEWSLETTER

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Harvest Collection from Monday 12th to Friday 16th October

Unfortunately, due to Covid19, we are unable to welcome you into school to celebrate our Harvest Festival. This year, we will be holding a Class Harvest just for our pupils.

We would still like to send donations to the Brighthouse Food Bank and Smartmove, to help them support our wider community, and we would be grateful for the following donations please:-

JARS, TINNED FOOD, HOUSEHOLD CLEANING ITEMS or TOILETRIES. (No fresh items thanks)

Thank you for your support. Mrs Swallow

Pre-owned uniform

We have lots available – please text any requests

Coats

Please send your child with a named coat every day – the weather is so changeable.

OPEN DAYS 2020 for September 2021

Saturday 17th October

10.00am-12.00pm

or

Thursday 19th November

10.00am-12.00pm or 1.30pm-4.30pm

Staff will show round small groups and be available to answer any questions.

Please contact school to book a slot.

Please sign up for your telephone appointment with your child's class teacher

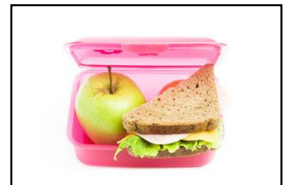


Packed lunches

for more info - <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

If your child would prefer to bring a packed lunch from home we would ask that you adhere to our Healthy School guidelines.

- Please do not include chocolate or sweets.
- Water or milk is provided at lunch so you do not need to send a drink.
- No nuts please as we have children with nut allergies.



The Childrens' Food Trust recommends that a child's packed lunch should include:

- **A starchy food** – such as bread, pasta, cous cous or potato
- **Fruit and veg** – we all need to eat more of these!
- **A protein food** – this includes beans, pulses, fish, eggs and meat
- **A dairy item** – this could be cheese or yoghurt

Reminder about common Covid 19 symptoms

1. A temperature above 37.8 degrees Celsius
2. Continuous cough
3. Loss of taste or smell

If your child, or any member of your household, is unwell with these symptoms, please keep them off school, isolate, and ring us for the safety of everyone.

We are once again taking part in the **WALK TO SCHOOL** initiative.

<https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/media/5561/parent-letter-ew.pdf>

Why not have a look on **Purple Mash** for your child's task and complete it together?

REMINDER about Half Term

School closes Friday 23 October and re-opens on MONDAY 2nd November

As members of the Local Community, we need to be mindful of our neighbours' safety as well as our own.

Please maintain 2 metres distance on the pavements around school as we need to do in the playground.



For the safety of **ALL** of our children, please do not drop children off from cars or taxis on the **road markings outside school**. This is **illegal** and **puts other children in danger** because the lollipop lady cannot see the road clearly.

What should I do if my child is ill?

On the first day of illness, please phone the school office: **01484 714964** by **9.00am** and leave a message stating your child's name and reason for absence. You do not need to phone again each day unless your child has returned to school in between. If you do not contact school, you will receive a text message from the school office. Please telephone the office to inform us why your child is off. If we do not hear from you, we will telephone home to find out why your child is not in school. Failure to do this on a regular occasion may result in the Education Welfare Officer contacting you. **Attendance at school is very important in order for your child to progress both academically and socially. Please consider this when booking family holidays.** Term time holidays cannot be authorised.

Please note: children should **not** be attending routine dental/optician/ doctors' appointments in school times, these will be marked as **unauthorised** in the register (unless in an emergency).

Hospital appointments will only be authorised if an official appointment letter is seen by the office staff. This protocol is in line with the regulations set by the Government, and Headteachers cannot 'opt' out from these.

The Education Pupil Registration England Amendment Regulations 2013 came into force on 1st September 2013 stating that I cannot grant leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

The 2007 Regulations state that penalty notices (fines) will be issued to each parent who fails to ensure their child's regular attendance at school... Parents must, from 1st September 2013, pay £60 to £120. Therefore, if your child is not in school, the Education Welfare Officer may contact you about the absence and a penalty notice may be issued.

If you require your child to be absent from school, an absence request form must be completed. These are available from the office for **all** requests. **Children must also come to school on their birthday.** For children whose attendance is unsatisfactory, parents will receive an attendance letter and Education Welfare will be informed.

If your child is ill, it is important that they remain at home to recover. At school, it is important that we control the spread of infection. In order to do so we recommend the following:

Diarrhoea / vomiting,	Child must be clear of symptoms for 48 hours since the last loose stool or period of vomiting.
Headlice	Children can come to school as long as their hair has been treated.
Chicken pox	Once spots have scabbed over – usually 5 days from the onset of a rash.
Measles	5 days from the onset of the rash.
German Measles	6 days from the onset of the rash.
Impetigo	Return once lesions are clustered or healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment
COVID19	PLEASE inform school if any member of your household has symptoms / going for a test.

PLEASE INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY OF THE ABOVE

For more information please see our website – Parental Information / Medical



First Aid at School

Should your child need minor first aid during school hours you will be informed by a note at the end of the day and it will be recorded in a first aid log.



For minor head bumps, children are given a sticker on their jumper, and we also send a text to parents. We will **always** telephone you if we are concerned. Please ensure that your contact numbers are up to date. We are able to administer medicine that has been prescribed 4 times per day only; please call at the office to complete a form.

If your child needs an inhaler at school, again, please complete a form at the office. Please would you also encourage your child to use their inhaler on their own with minimum support.

Please inform a member of staff if your child has any allergies or health issues.