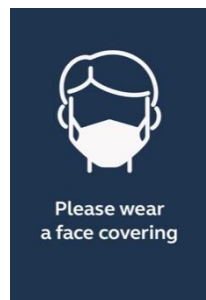


It has been another busy and eventful week in school. We are delighted to now have all our Foundation Stage children in school. All our new children have settled so quickly into their classes and our wowing Miss Purdie and Mrs Jones with how quickly they have adapted to change. We are looking forward to getting to know all our new children even better over the academic year.

Unfortunately, the world we live in continues to be dominated by Covid-19 and the need for us all to be careful and follow Public Health advice.



Last night I received a letter from the Local Authority informing schools that they had made the decisions that **all parents/carers wear a 'Face Covering' when collecting and dropping off their children at school from Monday 21st September.** This is for the safety and well-being of everyone. No visitors or parents will be allowed onto the school playground or into the building unless they are wearing a 'face covering'. Please continue to remember to socially distance when on the school site as a face covering does not replace the need for this. Please think of others and keep everyone safe.



Following our parent questionnaires where some of you raised concerns regarding what would happen if a child tests positive in school amongst others, I thought it might be useful to answer these questions and remind you all of the main health and safety advice.

What should I do if a member of my household has symptoms?

- They must get a test
- Stay at home and do not have visitors until they get their test result – only leave home to have a test
- Anyone you live with must also stay at home until you get your result- if a positive test result is found all household members must self-isolate for 14 days.
- Inform school by calling the school office.



What should I do if my child has symptoms?

We continue to follow Government advice with regards to symptomatic children. Children must not attend school if they have any of the main symptoms which include -



- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to their sense of smell and/or taste

If you have any of the above symptoms you must get a test for your child and stay at home and do not have any visitor until you get the result of the test. Tests can be booked via

www.wirral.gov.uk/test

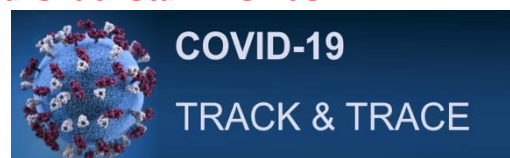
What will we do if a child shows symptoms whilst at school?

Should we believe that any child is displaying any Covid-19 symptoms at school we will contact parents to come and collect their child to be tested. Children will be supervised away from their bubble until a parent/carer arrives.

What will we do if we are advised of a positive case of a pupil, parent or staff member?

We ask all parents to let us know if their child tests positive for COVID but school may also be contacted via Track & Trace if a staff member, pupil or parent has tested positive for COVID.

We will immediately contact our local Public Health Protection Team for help and advice. We will follow their instructions and relay any information to our parents/carers via SEESAW,



Parentmail and the school website. This may mean that we will have to close bubbles for 14 days to ask children to quarantine.

If a whole class bubble needs to self-isolate, work will be provided via SEESAW and all children would be expected to complete the work. If you DO NOT have a login for SEESAW, please speak to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Brothers and sisters of children who have to self-isolate due to a 'school bubble closure' can continue to come to school, to their own bubbles UNLESS anyone in the household starts displaying symptoms, then the above applies.



Home learning due to COVID -The Government expect schools to have the capacity to offer remote education should a bubble within school or an individual child need to self-isolate due to a positive Covid test which is why as a school we will be setting work via Seesaw. The expectation is that your child will complete the activities that will be set each day, this is to ensure that your child's education is not disrupted any further than is necessary. The staff from the 'class bubble' will also self-isolate and will respond by Seesaw to parent queries and the children's work. Any parents that do not have access to the internet need to contact the class teacher as soon as possible.

School Council - Last Friday, each class voted for the children they wanted to be their School Council representatives. The children cast their votes in a secret ballot in our school polling station and the results were announced in classes. This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to take part in a democratic vote and we made it feel like a real General Election! We are pleased to announce that the elected candidates are -

Little Angels – Amelia

Year 1 – Julia & Oliver

Year 2 – Marnie & Craig

Year 3 – Ava & Isabella

Year 4 – Lewis & Leah

Year 5 – Alissa & Cole

Year 6 – Lacey-Leigh & Harrison



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Head Boy & Head Girl – Year 6 also voted for their Head

Boy & Head Girl. Cody & Honey were the elected representatives and we are sure they will prove to be excellent in their roles.



Individual Photographs – 5th October 2020 - We have the school photographer coming in on Monday 5th October. They will be taking individual photographs of all the children in school. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions we won't be having family pictures this year, just individual ones. We apologise for this as I know lots of you love the family photographs but we would be unable to do these and comply with current Government guidance.

If you do not already have a 'Parent Mail' account, please contact the school office who will set up one for you. This will allow you to make payments for Toast Club, after school club, future trips, additional Nursery sessions and school meals online.

Reminders..... Children will only be allowed FRUIT as a 'Healthy Snack' at break time. EYFS children will be provided with fruit in class.

Children must come to school in a tracksuit on their PE day. Ideally this will be a blue plain tracksuit. All children also need a water bottle.

Emergency contact details MUST be up to date in the office.

Please keep up to date with all the latest information via the school website.

**Thank you again for your patience and understanding at this time.
The staff are all so appreciative of your support.**

Mrs Ralph