C of E Primary School



FRIDAY UPDATE

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Dear Parents,

Thank you all for the progress we have made with wearing face-coverings on the school site. We believe that, with cases continuing to rise, this extra measure will help us all to stay safe and most importantly keep the school open for your children.

Some further feedback about drop-off:

It is important that you keep your children close to you. Children are climbing the tree across the road from school and although we will not 'police' this, it may lead to complaints from the Community Centre.

When crossing the road, we appreciate that we are all free to make our own decisions but where reasonable, you should cross the road at the Zebra Crossing. We should be setting a good example to all children about how to cross roads safely. Currently, we have traffic stopping at the Zebra Crossing and then having to stop again as parents are in the road right next to it. With Y6 children beginning to walk to and from school on their own, it seems reasonable that we ask you to set a good example.

Flowchart: What to do if someone has symptoms of COVID-19

So as we have begun to move forward into the term, we are now in a better position to explain how learning will continue for your child should they need to isolate. We appreciate that the following flowchart is complicated but as you know nothing appears to be simple at the moment. The aim of the flowchart is to help parents and staff assess their situation so that the next course of action can be decided.

Click here for the Flowchart

Please bear in mind that teachers are extremely busy teaching children in class at the moment and the 'online' experience cannot possibly match the high quality support provided during lock-down. It is near impossible for teachers to be in class and online at the same time.

Relationships, Health and Sex Education

Some of you may be aware that as of September 2020, the Government's changes to the PSHE curriculum have become a statutory requirement for all schools. There is nothing to be concerned about as our school was already delivering a broad PSHE curriculum which included many of the objectives now required. For example, our pupils complete work across the school on— Internet Safety, Healthy Eating, Mental Health and many more.

The key thing to note is that much of the content of the curriculum has now been updated to reflect modern society (the document had not been updated since approximately the year 2000.)

The main things to note are that Relationships and Health Education are not optional. All children will complete the content of these 'domains' and parents do not have the right to withdraw their child from these lessons. The content of Sex Education will continue to be left to the decision of the parent/guardian.

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As a school, we will keep you informed about the upcoming content for each year group and Sex Education lessons will not be taught to your child until we have received your permission. Be assured that, as a staff, we have reviewed very closely all of the new content and we believe that it can be taught easily to all age groups and contains nothing 'alarming' or inappropriate.

A simple guide explaining the content is attached to this ParentMail message

Click here for answers to - Frequently Asked Questions

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to email Mr Blakely or Miss Daniell, PSHE Subject Lead.

Airfield Club

We are pleased to announce that Airfield Breakfast and After School Club will open from Monday 5th October. To ensure the safety of the children and the staff, we have made some changes to the arrangements of this provision. We appreciate that these changes may not suit everyone but this is the best we can do in these difficult circumstances.

Children will be bubbled as follows:-

Breakfast club - Bubble 1 — Foundation and Key Stage 1 — Bubble 2 — Lower Junior - £6.00 per session

Unfortunately we are not able to take Upper Junior children currently due to staffing but we hope to be able to review this in due course.

After School club - Bubble 1—Foundation and Key stage 1, Bubble 2—Lower Juniors, Bubble 3—Upper Juniors

We have changed the session for the after school club to one session from 3.15pm to 5.00pm at a cost of £10.00 per session. Due to the additional demands put on the staff we will only be able to provide packed lunches for the children.

We will need to restrict places to 12 children per bubble and bookings must be made by email to admin@woodley-pri.wokingham.sch.uk to ensure that we do not exceed our staff: pupil ratio. Places will be confirmed by email and will then be entered onto Scopay for you to make payment. Please remember that bookings need to be made 48 hours in advance.

Lunches

We will be offering hot school meals from Monday 28th September. Parents will be able to book these, in the usual way, using the ScoPay website. Packed lunches and school dinners will eat together in either the central area (FS2 & KS1) or the main hall (LKS2 & UKS2). Menus will be on our website early next week.

To enable this to happen, we will now join classes together into phase bubbles for lunchtime. The phase bubbles will be:

Foundation

Key Stage 1

Lower Key Stage 2

Upper Key Stage 2

Along with the Government, we have recognised the benefit of hot meals for the children. The Government fund Universal Infant Free School meals through a grant to the school calculated from the census carried out on Thursday 1st October. If you think your child will be having hot school meals at any point during the year, it is important that they have a meal on 1st October so they are included in the calculation.

As we are just starting hot school meals again, please could you try to order for the w/c 28th September by Wednesday 23rd September. This is a good opportunity for your child to try hot meals if they have not done so before.

staff guide the child to the books they can choose from. This range is called the ZPD (Zone of Proximal Development). Books at the lower end of the range are typically 'for pleasure' and at the higher end of the range 'for comprehension development'.

Please bear with us as we introduce this scheme.

Reading
Many of our children have now completed their reading assessment on Accelerated Reader. This produces data which helps staff guide the child to the books they can choose from. This range is called the ZPD (Zone of Proximal Development). Books at the lower end of the range are typically 'for pleasure' and at the higher end of the range 'for comprehension development'.
Please bear with us as we introduce this scheme.
Children are not to complete quizzes at home. Quizzing on books is to be completed during reading time in school.
The next Friday Forecast will be Friday 25th September.
Email admin@woodley-pri.wokingham.sch.uk if you have any questions or queries