



Term 2 Week 10: Friday 13th March 2020

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Welcome, to this week's newsletter. I seem to say something each and a very week about a busy week, but I think we would all agree that this week has been a different one, in terms of the worldwide pandemic of **Coronavirus.** These feel genuinely unprecedented times, but a calm, measured and considered approach will be needed by everyone to ensure we best handle this challenging period.

My primary focus is safety and wellbeing of the children (and staff) of our school and I want to reinforce our position in following all National (and Local Authority) guidance available in order for this to be the case.

With this in mind, I am absolutely sure that you all have seen, read or heard about the update from Prime Minister Mr Johnson and his expert medical professionals and scientists yesterday, that schools are to remain open – this remains our intention and will remain so unless we are told otherwise.

The changes made yesterday that directly concern our school community are centred on the new advice below:

## Stay at home, if you have coronavirus symptoms

Stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you are staying at home.

This is exactly the same guidance for children as it is for adults.

Please help us keep everyone safe by following this national advice.

If a child presents in school with a high temperature and/or a new persistent/continuous cough <u>we</u> <u>will be sending that child home</u> for 7 days. Your understanding and support with this is appreciated in advance.

- <u>School events:</u> We are proceeding as normal with planned events but of course will keep you posted on any changes should we receive guidance to alter these plans.
- <u>What will happen if school closes?</u> We are preparing potential resources, plans and communication **IF** they are needed we will share them as/ when required. <u>We will be setting work</u> if there is any school closure.

We are continually closely monitoring the situation and will keep you informed with any significant news through our usually communication channels. It is indeed worrying times but the brief currently is to 'keep calm and carry on'. We are committed to serving our community and any decisions we make will have the children's health and wellbeing at the core. We will be socially responsible and encourage all to be the same. **Staying healthy:** important guidance, which we are promoting to children and asking you to follow up with them at home is:

## <u>Do</u>

- wash your hands with soap and water often do this for at least 20 seconds
- always wash your hands when you get home or into work
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell

## <u>Don't</u>

• do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

## Other important links:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response

Thank you for your taking the time to read this important information and your support of our school. Let's all keep fit, well and safe

Kínd regards Jon Watson Headteacher

Developing lively, inquiring and creative minds

from the beanstalk, then suddenly magic beans appeared. Jack had written words on the beans and the gant had rubbed a letter away. We had to solve how to read the words and talked about ways to see the missing letters. Mrs Bramley went over to the beanstalk and it produced a magical torch pen. All of a sudden the bean- stalk was growing pens until we all had one! We could read the words! As part of our focus on art this half term we have been studying and comparing artists which use pencils and pens to create close up art work. We looked at Paul Lung and Brian Scott and discussed
the similarities and differences between the works. The children enjoyed seeing the amazing art- work that could be created simply through the use of a humble pencil. We were all really inspired and have begun to see the value of taking our time to create our best work. Derwent Class have been thinking really deeply this week. In RE, we have been discussing what God is. We then followed this up with if God were a flower/weather/animal what might he be. The mature and varied responses were wonderful. The children were so re- spectful of all each others different beliefs.
This week in Humber we have enjoyed looking at different fables and talking about what we can learn from each of the morals. We have also been enjoying learning new skills in basket-ball. Our dribbling skills are becoming much more controlled! An amazing week of determination! Well done Humber for another fantastic week!
This week in dance we started looking at the Charleston. I was really impressed when the children worked in pairs to create their own Charleston steps . I can't wait to see how they progress next week and watch them all perform. Well done Ouse class! They have also done some excellent work in maths and English this week and are all working really hard. Keep it up!
In science , we are learning about the Circulatory system. After researching about the main parts of this system and how they function, the children wrote explanations for a classroom display. Currently, they are in the process of making a board game to consolidate and share their understanding. We are all looking forward to playing each other's games!





# CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours. To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

Find out more at gov.uk/coronavirus

## Diary Dates 2019 Term 2

# <u>March 2020</u>

Wednesday 25th Friday 27th Friday 27th	Friends Movie Night 3.15 to 5.15pm Aire Class Learning Party Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
<u>April 2020</u>	
Wednesday 1st	Musical Performance to Parent for Trent Class 2.45 – 3.15pm
Thursday 2nd	Derwent and Humber Performance for school 2pm – 3pm Performance for parents 5.30pm – 6.30pm
Friday 3rd	Easter Hat/Bonnet parade (hats to be made at home) Friends coffee after - noon for parade 2 – 3pm Easter Special Lunch
Friday 3rd	School closes for Easter Holidays 3.15pm

## Easter Holidays Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April 2020 – school closed

#### <u>April 2020</u>

Monday 20th	INSET DAY – school closed for children
Tuesday 21st	Children return to school
Tuesday 21st	Weekly Y3/Y4swimming lessons commence (details to be confirmed)
Wednesday 22nd	Parent consultations 1.30pm – 6.30pm
Friday 24th	Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 27th	Pupil Art Gallery in school open to parents from 2.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday 28th	Weekly Y3/Y4swimming lessons
Thursday 30th	Friends Fashion Show 6.30pm – 9pm

## <u>May 2020</u>

Tuesday 5th Wednesday 6th <b>Friday 8th</b>	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons Derwent Class Learning Party BANK Holiday – school closed to pupils (National Decision to move the bank holiday from Mon 4th to Fri 8th for VE Day)
Monday 11th	National Curriculum KS2 test week
Tuesday 12th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Friday 15th	Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 18th	National Curriculum KS1 test week
Tuesday 19th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Thursday 21st	Non-uniform day
Thursday 21st	Census Day Lunch
Friday 22nd	Sport's Day
Friday 22nd	School closes for half term 3.15pm

Half term week beginning Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2019 – school closed

### <u>June 2020</u>

Monday 1st	Children return to school
Tuesday 2nd	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Wednesday 3rd	Friends Continental Breakfast Morning 8.15 – 8.50am
Wednesday 3rd	Teddy Bears Special Picnic Lunch
Thursday 4th	Whole school trip (TBC)
Friday 5th	Musical Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 8th	KS1 Phonics screening week
Tuesday 9th	Herbie's Birthday Special Lunch
Tuesday 9th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Thursday 11th	Reserve Sport's Day
Friday 12th	Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Monday 15th	Y4 Times Table checking
Tuesday 16th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Wednesday 17th	Friends Movie Night 3.15 – 5.15pm
Friday 19th	PRIDE (celebrating and respecting all forms of diversity) dress up day
Tuesday 23rd	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Friday 26th	Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Tuesday 30th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
<u>July 2020</u>	
Wednesday 1st	Humber Class Learning Party
Tuesday 7th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons
Wednesday 8th	Andrea's Birthday Special Remembrance Lunch
Thursday 9th	Ouse and Trent Performance for school 2pm – 3pm Performance for
	parents 5.30pm – 6.30pm
Friday 10th	Move up morning 1
Friday 10th	Special Mentions Assembly 2.15pm
Sunday 12th	Friends Summer Fayre 1pm to 4pm
Monday 13th	Move up morning 2
Tuesday 14th	Weekly Y3/Y4 swimming lessons (last one)
Thursday 16th	Y6 Leaver's Party (details TBC)
Friday 17th	Leaver's Assembly 9.30am – 11am (approx.)

Friday 17th Leaver's Special Lunch Friday 17th

Monday 20th

School closes for half term 3.15pm

Inset Day – School closed for pupils

Summer Holidays week beginning Tuesday 21st July to Friday 4th September 2020 – school closed