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# 19th November 2021 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

We have had another wonderful week in school. Check out all of what our classes have been up to via your child's Tapestry page.

#### Flu Vaccinations

The immunisation team will be in school on Monday  $22^{nd}$  November. Please see the link <u>here</u> if your child misses their immunisation due to illness.

#### Christmas Lunch

Today, is the last day to request a Christmas Lunch for your child. You must complete the form sent out by text earlier this week.

## School Lunch Supplies

We have been made aware that there could be shortage of some food items leading up to Christmas and beyond from our school meals provider (due to driver shortages). Therefore, there could be last minute changes to school menus as a result.

#### School closed for Staff training

Please remember that school will be closed on Monday  $6^{th}$  December due to staff training. There will also be no After School Club on Monday  $13^{th}$  December due to staff training also.

### Staggered start times

Thank you for acknowledging the staggered start times; they are working well. A few families have requested a quieter/calmer time and can enter the school gates after 8.40am (we would ask Nursery children to still arrive at 8.30am). Please remember that registers close promptly at 8.50am. Thank you!

## Children's settling in reports- Autumn term

Reports will be shared with parents- via Tapestry- next Friday 26h November. Parents can make a telephone appointment, if necessary, to discuss their child/ren's report between Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December.

#### Website- Class Pages

Class Pages, on our website, are in the process of being updated. Please take a look!

## Updated Information from Durham County Council (shared last week)

We have received recommendations from Durham County Council's Public Health team and have decided to introduce the following measures to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in school:

- PCR testing for all adults and pupils if they are a close contact of a positive case in their household\*.
- Daily LFT testing at home for 7 days for any adult or pupil in key stage 2 (year 3) or above who is a household contact of a positive case and is exempt from isolation and continues to attend school. The testing of primary age pupils is at parental discretion. Testing should start from the day the household member has symptoms or if they don't have symptoms from when they tested positive\*

\*Note: People who have tested positive with a PCR test within the last 90 days should not be encouraged to test unless they develop new symptoms

## LFD Testing advice

We would recommend you have a supply of LFD testing kits at home in the event you are requested to use them. You can order home testing kits to be delivered to your home here <a href="https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests">www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</a>

Or you can collect LFD kits at Community Collect sites across the County. To find your nearest collection point please enter your post code here <a href="maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk">maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk</a>

If you pick up tests from a pharmacy, you may be asked for a 'collect code' this helps the NHS match your details to the tests. To get a 'collect code' please visit <u>test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/collect-lateral-flow-kits</u>

#### Timestable Rockstars

Well done to all of our winners from this week and last week. Who will be next week's winners?

## Leader Board for week beginning 8th November 2021

Times Table Rockstars Leaderboard This Week		
Rank	Name	Year Group
<b>☆1</b> ໘	Freddy R	Year 4
2	Zak A	Year 4
3	Belle W	Year 4
4	Bella E	Year 4
5	Layton L	Year 4