

2 OCTOBER 2020

NEWSLETTER



Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



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KEY DATES

- Monday 26th to Friday 30th October - Half Term
- Week Beginning 9th November - Parent Consultations
- Monday 7th December - Flu Vaccinations Y1-Y6
- Wednesday 16th December - Pop Up Shop
- Friday 18th December - Last day of term

Headteacher's Message

It's been another busy week in school. Our Reception children are relishing being full-time and it's been wonderful seeing how eagerly they come into school each morning.

The rain has hindered some playtimes, but we will go outside whenever possible, so please ensure your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to school each day. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are required to leave classroom windows open so as the weather cools it is getting colder in school.

If your child feels the cold you may want to give them an underlayer - vest or under armour and girls may choose to wear trousers or tights.



REMINDERS

COVID SYMPTOMS

Thank you to all of you for keeping your child/ren off school if they display Covid symptoms.

Visit

www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test to book a test online.

You should book a Covid-19 test if your child has:

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

If you are using the NHS track and trace App and you are visiting school, we have a QR code for you to scan. You will find it on the screen in the front entrance.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

We all play an important role in helping schools remain open. It's vitally important that you and your family continue to follow guidance on social distancing for everyone in the UK as it enables the measures that the school have put in place to be as effective as possible in addressing the challenges presented by coronavirus. We can all help control the virus by staying alert, this means:

- stay at home as much as possible
- avoid traditional 'sleepovers'
- avoid sharing a private vehicle with members of another household. Where this is unavoidable, open windows for ventilation, clean door handles that may have been touched between journeys



OTHER INFORMATION

Y6 'BUDDIES'

During the Autumn term, traditionally we've assigned a Year 6 'Buddy' to each of our Reception children. For obvious reasons, that hasn't been possible yet this year, but when restrictions are relaxed we will look to get this programme up and running as it's been really well received in the past.



OTHER NOTICES



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Following the notice in last week's Newsletter, we will be collecting food items for Horsham Matters Food Bank, which is the charity that the congregation of St Michael's are supporting this year. We will be collecting food items in next **Thursday, 8th October**. A table will be set up in the playground at school drop-off for goods to be placed on. All donations will be gratefully received.

CHILDREN WALKING HOME UNACCOMPANIED

We have a number of children now walking home unaccompanied at the end of the day, which we are pleased to encourage. However, we were saddened to receive a complaint this week, that not all the children who have been granted this privilege are behaving in a manner we would come to expect of our pupils. I will be speaking to the children in question, but would like to ask parents who have given permission for their children to walk home unaccompanied to remind them that they are representing Jolesfield whilst walking home from school, and need to behave in an appropriate manner at all times. Regrettably, failure to do so will result in this privilege being withdrawn. Thank you for your support.



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FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME - MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER

An information leaflet was sent out this week providing further details regarding this vaccination programme. Your child will be bringing a Influenza Consent Form home with them today. Please return this to school as soon as possible, as these will be collected in early next month by the vaccination team. Any child without a completed form will be unable to receive a vaccine.

Thought for the week



In worship this week we continued exploring the theme of courage. Alison led us in our thinking looking at what is an angel. The children shared ideas about what an angel is and what they might look like.

The children were challenged to think of everyone as a potential angel. We are all angels when we help and think of others.

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits thee here. Ever this day, be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule, to guide.

Amen