

6.1.23

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome back! I hope that you all had lovely Christmas and New Year. It has been good to welcome the children back to school this week ready for the Spring Term.

School Gateway App



Thank you to all parents and carers who have downloaded the School Gateway App and are now using it to book clubs. We now have 65% uptake but would like this to be 100%.

We will no longer be sending text messages out from school and will send reminders for non uniform days etc out as in app messages. This will save the school money which we will now be able to spend on the children. Any updates regarding clubs, including choir will be sent out via the app.

When you are booking clubs please ensure that you book through the 'Clubs' section as well as paying for the activity as payment alone does not guarantee a place in a club. This is especially important for Wrap Around so that we know which children are booked onto which session.

Wrap Around Bookings

Please make sure that you are booking children into the wrap around sessions that you would like your child to attend using the app, we are unable to accept any bookings over the phone or via email. There is a limit of 25 children in each session and we are unable to accept any child who is not booked onto the session.

There is a new pricing structure for after school wrap around. It is as follows:

Full session (3:25pm – 5:30pm) - £8.00

Half session (3:25pm – 4:30pm) - £4.00

Half session (4:30pm – 5:30pm, after extra curricular clubs) - £4.00

[Back-to-school advice issued to North West parents amid high levels of flu, COVID-19 and scarlet fever circulating](#)

As pupils and students return to school following the Christmas break this week, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is reminding people that winter illnesses continue to circulate at high levels, but following simple steps can help protect children, minimise the spread of illness in education and childcare settings and protect wider communities.

Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are [currently circulating at high levels](#) and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also [continue to be reported](#).

Prof Susan Hopkins, Chief medical Adviser at UKHSA, said: *“It’s important to minimise the spread of infection in schools and other education and childcare settings as much as possible. If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better and the fever has resolved.*

“Helping children to learn about the importance of good hand hygiene is also key, so practice regular handwashing at home with soap and warm water. Catching coughs and sneezes in tissues then binning them is another simple way to help stop illness from spreading.

“Adults should also try to stay home when unwell and if you do have to go out, wear a face covering. When unwell don’t visit healthcare settings unless urgent or visit vulnerable people.

“Remember that flu vaccination is still available for all eligible groups and is the best protection against the virus. We have seen good uptake in older age groups but vaccination among young children remains low. Flu can be very unpleasant and, in some cases, can lead to more serious illness. Getting your child vaccinated protects them and those they come into contact with and it’s still not too late.”

Dr Merav Kliner, UKHSA North West Deputy Director, said: *“As we see more cases of flu across the North West, we can all play a part in reducing infections spreading by following simple measures. It is important to remember that catching flu or other infections for more vulnerable people can be far more serious.*

“Taking sensible measures to stop bugs spreading is something we all can and should do. These include practicing good hygiene, taking up vaccinations when offered and not mixing with vulnerable other people when you are poorly yourself.”

Children eligible for the vaccine include:

- Children aged 2 and 3 on 31 August 2022
- All primary school-aged children
- Some secondary school-aged children

You can get more information [getting your child vaccinated against flu here](#).

Extra- Curricular Activities – Week Beginning 9th January 2023

- Monday** Pilates (6:00pm)
Dance (Years 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- Tuesday** Chess (after school)
- Wednesday**
- Thursday** Mini Vinnies (lunch time)
Choir (after school)
- Friday** Yr 4 / 5/ 6 Cross Country (lunch time)



The theme of this week's Wake Up Wednesday is – Staying Safe on New Devices



Ten:Ten January Newsletter

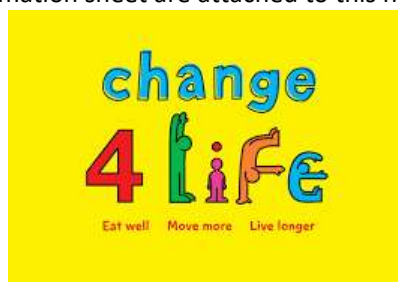
Please follow the link to read the January newsletter from Ten:Ten. The newsletter will give you an insight into the themes that will be covered in Prayer and Liturgy sessions in school this month so that you can support your child in this area.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>



FS2 Height and Weight Screening and Audio – Vision Screening

Height and weight and Audio- Vision screening will be taking place for children in FS2 (Ladybirds) later on this term. Letters giving details along with an information sheet are attached to this newsletter.



Menu – Week Beginning 21st November

Can all parents and carers make sure that they have cleared their school meal debts on Parent Pay, thank you.

WEEK 2				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Quorn Lasagne <i>Quorn mince cooked with onions, garlic, tomatoes and herbs then layered between sheets of pasta and topped with a béchamel sauce, grated cheese and baked in the oven served with garlic bread.</i>	Minced Beef and Onion Pie <i>Choose from minced beef or Quorn mince cooked with onions, carrots and stock, baked in the oven with a pastry top served with diced potatoes.</i>	Margarita Pizza <i>A wholemeal margarita pizza with extra topping served with a cold pasta salad.</i>	Creamy Chicken Curry <i>Choose from chicken pieces or Quorn pieces cooked with onions, garlic, turmeric, coriander, coconut milk and natural yoghurt. Served on a bed of rice with naan bread.</i>	Fish & Chips <i>Choose from a battered cod fillet, breaded cod fillet fingers or simply a salmon fillet, all baked in the oven & served with chips</i>
Served with				
Carrots	Peas	Mixed Salad	Spinach	Peas
Or				
Jacket Potatoes				
<i>Choose from fillings of tuna and mayonnaise or cheese served with salad</i>				
Or				
Deli Bar				
For dessert				
Dessert of the day				
And finally, a drink				
A selection of the following drinks will be available daily – milk, water or juice.				

Have a lovely weekend,

N. J. Turner
 Headteacher

Dates for Your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
29.1.23	First Holy Communion Enrolment Mass (11:15am)
30.1.23-3.2.21	Year 5 /6 KC Swimming (all week)
3.2.23	Non Uniform Day