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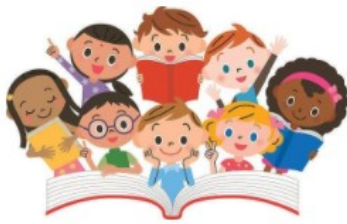
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Newsletter

Monday 21st September 2020



Reading With Children

Please try and read with your child/children at home at least 3 times per week.

Every child should have been given a reading book now along with a Reading Record or Pupil Organiser in which they need to complete when they have read at home.

If your child reads more than 3 times they receive a raffle tickets which goes into their class's reading raffle jar.

When they have received a certain amount the class receive a treat of their choice!

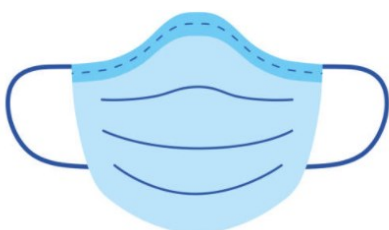
Hand Sanitizer

Please remember **we wont** be allowing children to use their own hand sanitizer in school. We have to use sanitizer that has been approved for school use, Thank you for your support.



Website

Don't forget you can still access our school website which has lots of useful links for online learning, including Times Tables RockStars, Purple Mash, Oxford Owl, etc.



Face coverings

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting school by wearing face coverings when dropping off and collecting their children.



Basketball

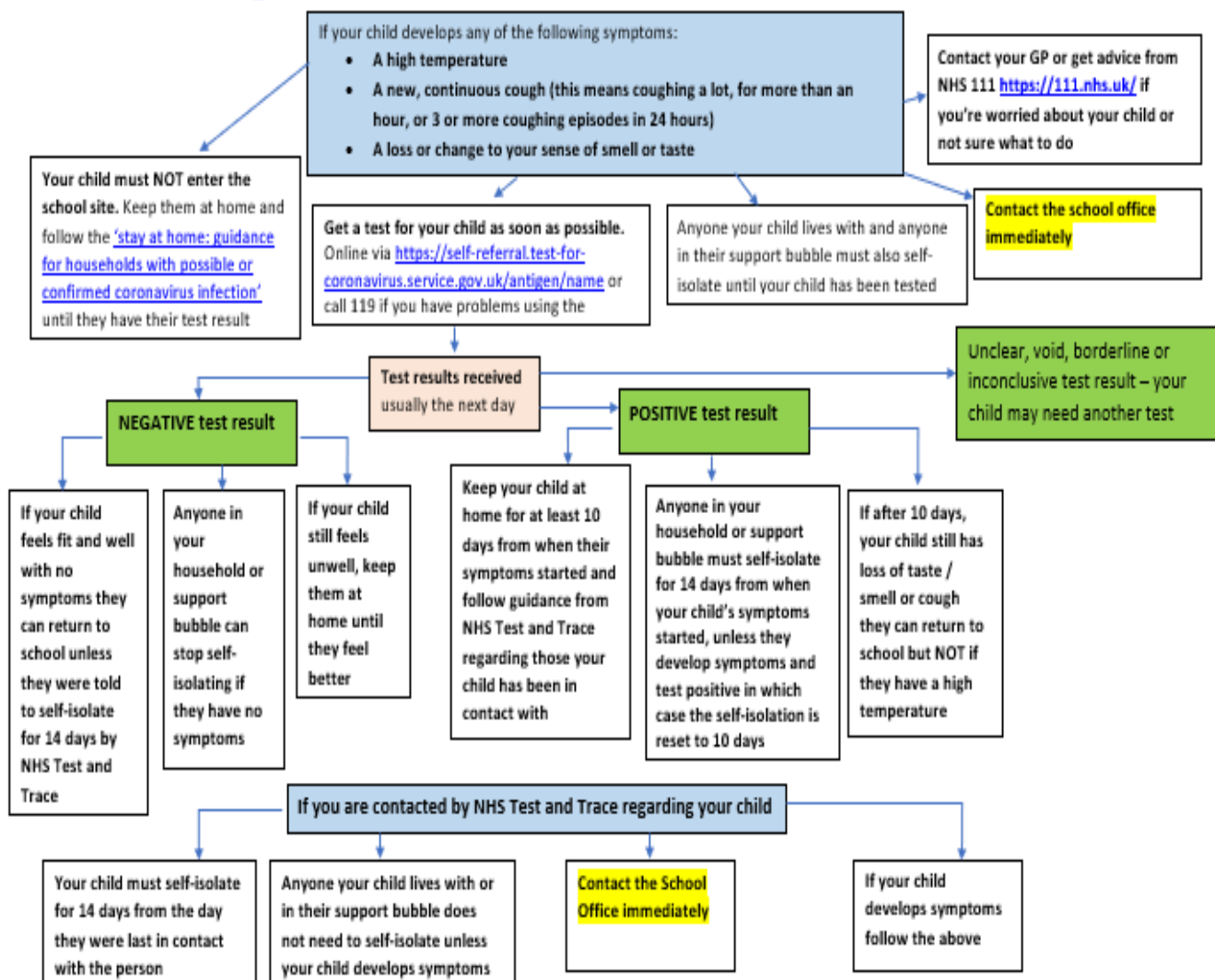
We have been very lucky to secure a basketball coach to come in and teach our year 4 children on a Wednesday. Each class gets to spend 2 full afternoons this half term with the coach and this has extended to an exclusive after school club for the lucky 4EP.

4AB and 4AR children don't worry though! You will have your turn at attending the exclusive after school club after half term and Xmas.

Jaxon in 4EP said "I love basketball. It is my favourite sport. I enjoyed learning the toilet-giraffe move to take a shot." The toilet-giraffe move delighted the children as they had to learn to bend their knees like they were sitting on a toilet and then pushing up and extending their arm to release the ball, like a giraffe! They were fantastic at this and many of the children successfully scored a goal in the basket. The coach was pleased with the children stating that they were very well-behaved and a hardworking.

Guidance if your child develops COVID-19 symptoms or is contacted by Test and Trace

Please note we are unable to advise on individual cases and are only able to guide you according to the NHS procedure below



Please remain in regular contact with the School in all circumstances and keep up to date with any changes in Government guidance

Have your home finances recently changed for the worse?

- Are you on a lower income or are claiming a benefit?
- Could you be entitled to normal Free School Meals?

APPLY NOW TO RECEIVE OTHER BENEFITS INCLUDING UP TO £40 TO SPEND ON UNIFORM

By now you will all be aware that pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to 'Universal Free School Meals' regardless of your income, as part of a Government scheme. However, we are writing to you that if your child is entitled officially to receive normal Free School Meals it is absolutely crucial that you apply for this in the usual way.

Being on the Free School Meals register ensures the following benefits for you and your family:

Extra money for school which can then be spent on resources, staff and enrichment for all our children. This extra money is called the Pupil Premium and its purpose is to ensure that children from low income families are not at a financial disadvantage during their education.

Up to £40 to spend on uniform during the school year.

Free lunches provided for child/ren each day in school. Currently these are in the form of packed lunch which includes; sandwiches, crisps, fruit and a sweet treat (please see photos to the right).

Over the past few months, you will probably have seen in the news that ALL children in receipt of normal Free School Meals were eligible for a £15 per week voucher to spend on food at local supermarkets during the school closure period and in the event of any future closure we want to ensure that you are receiving all support available to your family. So, don't miss out on opportunities for your child and complete the online claim form ASAP (see overleaf for more details). Please don't forget claiming this entitlement helps both your child and the school.

Even if you've applied unsuccessfully before, a number of factors have changes due to Covid, so it is important you have a go and try again so you don't miss out on what should be yours.

If in doubt, please feel free to contact our school office who will be able to advise and assist you with your claim. Claims need to be made as soon as possible so that you do not miss out over the coming months.

Thank you for your time and support with this. Together we can make sure our children & families all get the support that they are entitled to.

Silly Sock Day 20

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Friday 25th September 2020 is
Silly Sock Day.

You can send your child/children
to school in silly socks.

The sillier the better!



Diary Dates

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| Friday 24th September 2020 | - | Silly Sock Day |
| Friday 9th October 2020 | - | Hello Yellow Day (see below) |
| Monday 19th October 2020 | - | First day of October Half Term |
| Monday 2nd November 2020 | - | First day back at school |
| Monday 21st December 2020 | - | First Day of Christmas holidays |
| Monday 4th January 2021 | - | First day back at school |
| Monday 15th February 2021 | - | First day of February Half Term |
| Monday 22nd February 2021 | - | First Day back at school |

Hygiene

Please speak to your child about the importance of hygiene measures. Staff will continue to insist on regular handwashing and hand sanitizing.

The 'Catch it, bin it, kill it' approach is crucial, and children will be reminded of this regularly. We have already increased our cleaning of frequently touched surfaces and toilet and sink areas, and this will continue across the school.



#HelloYellow

YOUNGMINDS

Hello Yellow

We know you and the young people in your lives have been going through a difficult time over the past few months, and it can be hard to feel positive but you're not alone. On Saturday 10th October, it is World Mental Health Day. We will be marking this by joining YoungMinds and raising awareness by taking part in #HelloYellow. We are inviting children to wear something yellow with their school uniform on Friday 9th October. This is to raise awareness and no money is needed. It could be a yellow t-shirt, a yellow hairband, yellow socks etc.

Lockdown has had a devastating effect on some children and young people's mental health. We are wearing yellow to show young people they are not alone. It is important for us all to know that keeping mentally healthy is just as important as being physically healthy. Yellow, as a colour, often represents sunshine and happiness. This year, we will be reminding the children that staying fit and well includes looking after our mental health. We will explore the ways that children look after their mental health and share top tips to cheer themselves up. We will also talk to the children about it being okay to not feel okay, as long as they talk to someone about this so that they can be helped.

Join us, your friends, colleagues and loved ones in a show of solidarity by taking part in #HelloYellow. Dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat - let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health!