

WEEK NINE

WOW! What a week! The children have had some amazing times - especially this morning's Sports Relief. A big thank you to all who attended the PTA Quiz on Friday evening, it was a fabulous night. The rest of the newsletter I am giving over to an update on Coronavirus Covid19.

Coronavirus

Since yesterday's email update, we have obviously seen an update from Boris Johnson. He stated yesterday that he will not close schools, yet. If you have a poorly person in your household, the whole family does not have to self-isolate, yet. If you come into contact with someone from a red zone, you must isolate. As a school we are following all of these measures, and a few additions of our own, including;

- Handwashing facilities are now in all classes. Children will be washing their hands, on entry to school, after break times, before lunchtimes, after lunchtimes and continue to wash after they have used the toilets.
- Any visitors coming into school will be asked to wash hands before working in school and with our children.
- Cleaning high touch areas will continue to be enhanced.

If your child develops a new and persistent cough or has a temperature (according to NHS a child's normal temp is between 36.6-37.2 degrees) then they <u>MUST</u> stay at home and self-isolate for 7 days. We will be <u>STRICTLY</u> enforcing this policy. Effective from Tuesday, we will no longer be administering paracetamol as a school, as this could be masking raised temperatures. We will obviously have conversations with parents whose children need medication for different reasons.

The current advice has changed and testing is now ceasing for all people apart from those that are in hospital and we are being asked not to call 111 unless the symptoms are severe.

That's the medical part, now for the school part. We are looking at how we can ensure, should we be made to close, that we can stay in contact with you and give children access to learning. As a realist, I know that schools closing would be highly inconvenient and work may be very low on people's priorities. We will not be able to please everyone in the decisions we make, we will therefore use our best professional judgements as we continue to plan and make decisions moving forward, with the hope that our planning does not need to become action.

Don't forget - PD day, school closed to children 16th March all day

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Richardson - Headteacher

Upcoming Events

Parent appointments-Thursday 26th March including progress reports

27th March - Easter Egg Hunt

Book your tickets on the gateway - FREE ACTIVITY

Kingswood Tue 31st March - Fri 3rd April (Y5)

Year One - parent invite - lunch with children and phonics chat - date to be confirmed

Remaining PD Days this year

16th March, 20th July



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