

NEWSLETTER 25 September 2020

Visit the school website **www.guiseleyprimary.org** and blogs (on the home page) to see what we have been doing in school this week.

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

The children were very excited when they arrived in school this morning following the 'weird weather' last night. I hope you all managed to get home safely and relatively dry!

I am sure that you are all now aware of the new restrictions that will be coming into place from Friday evening for parts of West Yorkshire, including Leeds. I have been notified by Leeds City Council that there is no new guidance for schools as yet and so we will continue with the measures that we already have in place. If you are unsure regarding symptoms or how long to self-isolate we are attaching a guide that you may find helpful. In a situation where we are notified of a positive case we will be referring to the DfE Helpline for further advice and will notify you individually if there is a need for your child to stay at home.

With the news that the infection rate is rising could I please remind you to continue to socially distance within the playground and also urge you not to allow your children to use the trim trail before and after school. This is not currently being used during the day to avoid cross-contamination between year group bubbles and will be hazard taped from next week.

For those children that have opted for the grab bags there will be a greater choice from next week. Every Tuesday there will be the additional option of a cold sandwich and the children will be able to select from ham, cheese or tuna, and every Thursday the children will have the option of a hot turkey baguette in addition to the vegetarian meal. Full details of the menu are available on the school website under the green Parent tab – School Meals. If you would like to change your child's meal option please let the office know and be aware there is two weeks' notice needed as the kitchen order the food in advance.

Many of you will know that Mr Kay retired some months ago after many years' service both as a lunchtime supervisor and as the school crossing patrol. I have enquired about a replacement of this valuable service and LCC are in the process of completing a survey regarding the volume of traffic given that there is already a zebra crossing. I am sure you will agree with me that this is an essential service and school will continue to push for a replacement.

On the subject of road use, I should also warn you that we have been approached by the Community Constable following a report from a parent about speeding traffic during school drop-off. We have also had complaints regarding a parent driving in a dangerous manner on West Villa Road before dropping their child off on the zig-zag area, and also of cars with their engines idling. The area will be being monitored over the next few weeks so please remember to park safely and with regard to pedestrians.

Now to end on a fun note – the children in Year One were delighted to receive a visit from Baby Shark today to help them with their maths work on greater than/less than. Well done to Miss Clark and Miss Dryden-Jones for being good sports. A lesson to remember!

Have a lovely weekend and please stay safe.

Best Wishes

Mrs Buckton Headteacher

Stars of the Week

Gold Class - Rosie and Joseph

Rainbow Class - Laurie, Lucy and Poppy-Rose

Red Class - Skye and Elliot

Orange Class - Lillie and Harry

Yellow Class - Jessica and Ivy

Green Class - Beau and Mia

Blue Class - Oscar and Mary

Indigo Class - Sienna and Cooper

Violet Class - Olivia and Rufus

Pink Class - Abigail and Riley

Coral Class - Thomas and Isla

Amber Class - Quentin and Oliver

Jade Class - Archie and Arthur

Lime Class - Libby and Thomas

Purple Class - Annie and Chloe

Turquoise Class - Amy and Sami

Well Done Everyone!

Data Collection Sheets and Permissions

Data Collection Sheet - these have been sent home on paper. Please check the contact details, medical information etc for your child. If any amendments are required, please write them on the sheet (you can use the back of the page). ALL forms, whether there are any amendments or not, need signing and dating and returning to school in your child's book bag.

Permissions Form - please complete the online form, previously emailed, confirming permissions for your child. It is important you complete the form as we will be updating the school website and blogs with photographs and videos to be able to share with you what is happening in school.

Permission to Leave School - if you have children in years 5 or 6 and would like them to walk home on their own, please inform the school office by email to office@guiseleyprimary.org or complete the online form.

Start of Day Reminder

A reminder that for FS2 (Reception), Year 1 and Year 2 school starts at 9:00am. The entrance door is open from 8:50am for children to gradually enter school as they arrive.

Children do not need to be lined up at 8:50am. This is one of the Covid-19 measures to eliminate the need for parents and carers to congregate at the entrances waiting for doors to open.

Houses

Nethermoor, Nunroyd, Parkinson and Springfield

Our house system is based on the four parks in and around Guiseley. Children earn points for their house for displaying behaviours that follow our Rainbow Code:

Respect (for all)

Achieve (always do your very best)

Inclusive (we all matter)

Nurture (we care and are considerate)

Belong (it's good to be part of something)

Outstanding (effort and perseverance)

Whole (whole child, whole family, whole community)

It has been another week of hard work and excellent behaviour in school with lots of house points being earned. The weekly winners this week are **Nethermoor** with an amazing 334 house points! Total points for this week are:

Nethermoor 334 Nunroyd 267
Parkinson 260 Springfield 274

Remember to keep displaying the Rainbow Code and earning points for your house!

Ethos Topic for the first half term of the new school year is:



NEW BEGINNINGS

During the half term all the classes will be talking about and discussing the Guiseley Primary Rainbow Code of Conduct, how to make someone feel welcome in school and how they feel in their new class.

Mathlete of the Week

The Mathletes of the week are: KS1 **Drake** and KS2 **Thomas.**



If your child is in KS1 or KS2, please keep encouraging them to use Mathletics. There are a variety of maths activities and games tailored to your child's stage of development. If your child does not have access to Mathletics at home, please let their teacher know.

Parent Declaration Forms - Gold & Rainbow

An email has been sent to all parents and carers of children in Gold and Rainbow classes with the Parent Declaration Form to complete. This is required so school can claim funding for:

- eligible 2 year old children
- 15 hour funding for all the 3 year old children
- funding for up to 30 hours for those with a valid code

Would you please ensure you complete the form as fully as possible and return to school via email to office@guiseleyprimary.org.

Thank You