



NEWSLETTER 2 October 2020

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children

I would like to start by saying "Hello" to Year 6 – we've missed you! However, Mr Ward and Miss Parry report that they are impressed with the way that the children have tackled their home learning. As the staff are also isolating they have been able to support the children throughout the day and I would like to thank you for the positive feedback we have received about how effective this has been. We are keen to ensure that the children receive high quality remote learning, and Seesaw, alongside the year group emails, has continued to be an effective method of communication.

I realise this is not a situation that any of us would have wanted so early in the term but unfortunately it is happening throughout schools in Leeds. If you receive a positive test result, please email school at any time using office@guiseleyprimary.org; the address is monitored throughout the evening and weekend and will ensure we are able to notify affected year groups as soon as possible.

The daily updates that we receive from the DfE and Leeds City Council are comprehensive (attached are the documents we have received this week) and the guidance below is taken from the Covid-19 Information Pack for Educational Settings in Leeds:-

Advice to give to contacts

1. All identified contacts should be advised to self-isolate at home and not attend school for 14 days from the last point of contact with the case, and monitor themselves for symptoms. If contacts develop a new continuous cough or fever or loss of taste/smell, they should request a test for COVID-19 through gov.uk or via 119.

This document, containing actions for schools, has been written by LCC in conjunction with Public Health England. What we found most helpful last weekend was the DfE Helpline which provided, over the phone, step by step guidance as to how to proceed, including which children needed to self-isolate and when was the earliest that the children and adults could safely return to school. We will continue to follow this advice for the health and safety of all children, families and staff.

Within school, we continue to review the measures we have in place and will keep you fully informed of any changes to procedures. There will be a change to the way that Year 5 and Year 6 children line up in the mornings from 12th October and from Monday the main entrance door will be open for Year 4 to begin to enter the building from 8:55 until registration at 9:00.

There has been some requests for clarification around the KS2 playtime snack. In most classes this is eaten outside in the playground so please could you send the children with a healthy snack which is easy to eat 'on the move'. I would suggest items such as a piece of fruit, carrot sticks, cereal bar, rice cakes, crackers, a slice of fruit bread etc. Please could you ensure your child knows which their snack is as some children have been sneaking out with their lunchtime dessert!

I apologise that the Newsletter has been dominated by Covid-19 and I hope to focus next week on the exciting activities the children have been doing in class. As parents you will naturally continue to have concerns about safety but for the children, they are just loving being back in school, learning and having fun with their friends.

Thank you for your continued support, it has been particularly appreciated this week.

Best wishes
Mrs Buckton
Headteacher

Please turn over for more newsletter items.....

Stars of the Week Well Done Everyone!



Gold Class - Everyone for a more settled week!

Red Class - Hugo and Martha

Yellow Class - George and Walter

Blue Class - Elsa and Florence

Violet Class - Bethan and Joseph

Coral Class - Izabela and Max

Jade Class - Harry and Jacob

Purple Class - The whole class, including parents and carers!

Rainbow Class - Ethan, Oliver and Rosa

Orange Class - Bethany and Zander

Green Class - Alfie and Molly

Indigo Class - Archie and Maryanne

Pink Class - Charlotte and Keir

Amber Class - Isabel and Nellie

Lime Class - Anne and Evan

Turquoise Class - All the children, parents and carers!

Please ensure you complete the following.

Data Collection Sheet - these have been sent home on paper. Please check all the information for your child and 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.**

Permissions Form - please complete the online form, emailed previously, 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.

Parent Declaration Forms (Gold and Rainbow Only) - this has been sent by email and 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
Please complete the form as fully as possible, **whether your child is eligible or not**, and return it via email to office@guiseleyprimary.org.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please contact school. Thank You

Houses

Nethermoor, **Nunroyd**, **Parkinson** and **Springfield**

Remember to keep earning points for your house by 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)

The weekly winners for a second time are **Nethermoor** with 288 house points! Total points for this week are:

Nethermoor	288	Nunroyd	237
Parkinson	220	Springfield	233

Mathlete of the Week

The Mathletes of the week are:

KS1 **Molly S** and KS2 **Leonardo**



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.

Safety Reminder - We have received a report of a van driving acting suspiciously in Guiseley. The year 5 children have been reminded how to keep themselves safe if they walk home alone after school.

Face Coverings - It is now recommended that face coverings are worn within the playground. This makes it more difficult to recognise parents so at the end of the day please give a wave when you see your child is at the front of the queue to help staff spot you more easily.

Wanted - If you have any spare underwear, socks or tights for girls aged 4-5, Red and Orange classes would really appreciate your donations! Thank you

Playtime Snacks - The NHS funded Fruit and Veg scheme has restarted for all children in FS2 (reception) and KS1 (yrs 1 & 2). This means all the children in these year groups receive a free healthy snack everyday and do not need to bring a playtime snack to school.



Children in KS2 (years 3 to 6) are welcome to bring a healthy snack for playtime such as a piece of fruit, cereal bar etc.

If your child attends Eye-Spy after school, please make sure they know when their snack is for. Some children are eating all their food at playtime then have nothing left for after school. Thank You

Ethos Topic for this half term is:

NEW BEGINNINGS



During the half term all the classes will be talking about and discussing the Guiseley Primary Rainbow Code of Conduct.