



Thornhill Lees Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter - October 2020

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to have the children back in school again. They have settled into school really well and we are very proud of them. Thank you for all of your support so far this half term with the new procedures around school, which we have put in place to keep everyone safe.

Please look on class dojo or the parents section of the school website, for the new school meals menu, which starts after the half term holiday.

Telephone Numbers



Please let school know if you have changed your telephone number should we need to contact you. If you need to contact Mrs Douglas, her school mobile number is 07415 006778. You can send a text or leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as possible. This number is available on weekends and during holiday times.

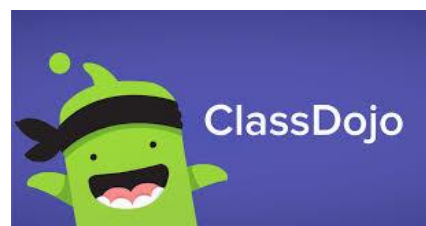
School App



If you do not have the school app, you are missing important school messages. We do not use any other messaging systems for parents. Please download the school jotter app from the App Store or Google Play. You will then receive notifications and text messages from school. The app also has the school newsletters, calendars and other important information. If you need any help, please see Mrs Parker in the school office.

Class Dojo

Please ensure you have downloaded the Class Dojo app and activated your account. Class Dojo is our remote learning and homework platform. Should you need to isolate or a full lockdown happens, this will be where the children's learning activities will be posted by their class teacher. The children's weekly homework will also be posted on here too.



Nursery and Year 2 Parents



The online applications for those children in Nursery and will be due to start Reception in September 2021 is now open. This is also the case for the children in Year 2 who will be leaving us in July 2021. You need to apply online through the Kirklees parent portal. Please complete these as soon as possible so your child gets a place in the school you wish them to attend. The closing date for doing so is 15th January 2021. If you need some help please speak to Mrs Parker in the office.

Places in our 2 Year Old Nursery



If you have a 2 Year Old or turning 2 soon, why not apply for our 2 Year Old Nursery. If you are interested, you can pick up an application form from the school office. For more details about funded places and to see if you qualify, please see the website: <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/childcare-and-early-education/free-early-education-and-care-for-2-year-olds.aspx>

Covid 19 Restrictions for Kirklees

Last week the government announced that Kirklees is in Tier 2 of the new COVID-19 restrictions system, which was introduced on Wednesday 14th October.

Here's an overview of the restrictions that are in place for Kirklees:

HM Government **NHS**

LOCAL COVID ALERT LEVEL

HIGH

Social Contact 1 household / bubble indoors. Rule of six outdoors.	Weddings and Funerals Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for receptions, wakes and related ceremonies.	Overnight Stays Overnight stays permitted subject to social contact rules.	Working from home guidance Work from home where possible.
Shopping and Retail Open.	Leisure and gyms Open.	Hospitality Open with some restrictions including 10pm closing time and table service only.	Entertainment and tourist attractions Open, except nightclubs and adult entertainment.
Education Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions.	Healthcare Services Open.	Residential Care Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.	Travel and Transport May continue to travel to open venues, but reduce number of journeys where possible. Avoid travel into Local COVID Alert Level Very High areas where possible.
Sporting Activity Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).	Worship Open, subject to social contact rules.	Childcare Registered and wraparound childcare. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Childcare bubbles for under 14s.	Youth Clubs and Activities Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:

- Wash hands** keep washing your hands regularly
- Cover face** wear a face covering in enclosed spaces
- Make space** stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

This could be a sign of coronavirus

These are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

Book a test

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial 111 or see your GP

Thank you for your continued support.

Diary Dates 2020-2021

School closes for Autumn Half Term: Friday 23rd October 2020

School re-opens: Tuesday 3rd November 2020

School closes for Christmas Holidays: Friday 18th December 2020

School re-opens for Spring Term: Monday 4th January 2021

School closes for Spring Half Term: Friday 12th February 2021

School re-opens: Monday 22nd February 2021

School closes for Easter Holidays: Friday 26th March 2021

School re-opens: Monday 12th April 2021

School closes for Spring Bank Holidays: Friday 28th May 2021

School re-opens: Monday 7th June 2021

School closes for Summer Holidays: Friday 23rd July 2021

Bank Holidays

Monday 3rd May 2021

Monday 31st May 2021

Inset Days

Monday 7th September 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020

Thursday 13th May 2021

Friday 14th May 2021

Monday 26th July 2021

