



Newton's Weekly Newsletter



Week Ending 20th November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

We are aware that Covid 19 is affecting increasing numbers of families, with many of our children's family members being tested and self isolating. Please be assured we are following all advice from Public Health England to ensure everyone's safety and that this may mean asking you to keep your child/children at home until the necessary period of isolation has passed.

Should your child have to stay at home, please check Google Classroom for work that their teacher will have set for them to complete. We would like to know from you, if home learning is a problem for you, due to the lack of technology and devices available to your children at home. If this is an issue for you, please email your child's year group mailbox and we may be able to overcome this through the loaning of suitable equipment.

It is National Road Safety Week and Anti-bullying week and the children have enjoyed participating in activities across this week that promote these two important issues and how they affect children. Discussions and tasks highlighted the dangers and gave all children the knowledge and strategies to keep themselves safe, whether outdoors, on line and in school. The children looked great in their odd socks today!

We are really pleased and excited to tell you that our Virtual Tour video is available to view on our website. We would urge you to take a look and share it with your friends and family to help us promote Newtons to new families who are looking for a school for their Nursery or Reception child. Please do visit our website and watch the short video to see what a wonderful Early Years provision our children experience and listen to how much they enjoy their learning.

Christmas is fast approaching and we want to ensure all the children have a fantastic festive time in school, after what has been a very different, and for many, a difficult year so far, with all the restrictions that Covid has brought. We have to do things differently in order to keep everyone safe but I am sure the children will really appreciate and enjoy our planned Christmas festivities within their bubbles. Please see the dates for the diary and look out for the letters that will be coming explaining some of the events and activities in more detail.

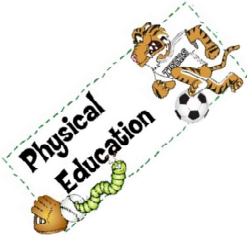
It has been brought to my attention that some parents are parking right outside the car park gates when dropping their children off in the morning (particularly for Breakfast Club). This is causing a danger as they reverse out into the road again. Can I ask you politely to consider other road users and children's safety and park safely and considerately.

Our drop off and collection times are working really well on Askwith Road gate and I thank you for adhering to our one-way systems at both gates. We will restrict the flow of parents entering the playground at the Walden Avenue gate when collecting your children at home time to ensure a calmer and safer handover. The gates open at 8.45am and close at 9.00am. Please remember to wear a mask or face covering when entering the premises and do not gather in groups outside the school gates for the safety of everyone. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Connolly and Mrs McClenaghan

We still ask that you send your child in on their PE day dressed in their PE kit (see below for your child's PE day) not normal uniform. Please ensure that as the weather becomes colder they wear black joggers, bottle green sweatshirt and dark trainers, as they will continue to do PE outside, unless it is wet. Please do not drop their kit off at the office if they have forgotten to come dressed in sportswear, the office staff cannot cross bubbles to deliver it to your child's class.



	Year Group PE	
TUES	Year 2	Year 4
WEDS	Year 3	Year 5
THURS	N//R/Y1	Year 6

Reading Expectations



Your child is now bringing home a reading book and reading record. Can you please sign this record every time you hear your child read, which should be at least 3 times (this is only the minimum requirement). Book bags will now be permitted to bring this reading book to and from school and please be assured that when books are returned on Friday, they will be quarantined over the weekend before they are given out to other children on Mondays. **Children only need their book bags in school on Mondays and Fridays.**



Wednesday 2nd & Thurs 3rd – Skittle Man Magic Christmas Show

Friday 4th – Reindeer Run

Monday 7th – Bikeability

Tuesday 8th - Christmas Discos for Y5&Y6 - 3.15pm -4.15pm

Wednesday 9th – Christmas Discos for Y3&Y4 – 3.15pm-4.15pm

Thursday 10th – Christmas Discos for N/R/Y1 & Y2 – 3.15pm-4.15pm

Friday 11th – Christmas dinner, Christmas jumper day and Virtual Christmas Pantomime – whole school

Monday 14th – Christmas movie afternoon – N/R/Y1 & Y2

Tuesday 15th – The Big Dance – whole school

Wednesday 16th Christmas movie afternoon Y3 & Y4

Thursday 17th – Christmas movie afternoon – Y5 & Y6

Friday 18th – Last day of term – non-uniform and class parties.

Attendance is very important in ensuring that children maximise their learning and prevent gaps in their knowledge from happening. Our whole school attendance this week is 95.7%. Well done Dolphin Class for achieving the highest attendance this week. You will receive the delicious cookies to share with your class.



Red Zone = below 90%

Amber Zone = below 95%

Green Zone = above 95%

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Squirrels	94.8	Crocodiles	96.8
Mice	97.2	Penguins	98.3
Hedgehogs	95.5	Canaries	93.9
Foxes	94	Dolphins	98.5
Newts	95.7	Pandas	97.2
Woodpeckers	97.6	Geckos	90.6
Meerkats	95		

Every Day Counts!



Stars of the week



Week 2

Class	Star	Class	Star
Squirrels	Aryan	Crocodiles	Enes
Mice	Ayaan A	Penguins	Shaira
Hedgehogs	Billy	Canaries	Evie
Foxes	Maaz	Dolphins	Callum
Newts	Lilly-May	Pandas	Ifeoluwa
Woodpeckers	Iya	Geckos	Kelsie
Meerkats	Joanna	Ducklings	Mashiyat

Headteacher award – James-Red for excellent work in maths.

