



# New Cangle Community Primary School

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12<sup>th</sup> February 2021,

Dear parents and carers,

We have finally got to the end of an extremely challenging half term both for parents and for the school and I am sure we are all happy to have a break. I am aware that some parents will still be working but hope that they can enjoy less pressure at home with no home learning over the half term break. For us at school, this has been the most challenging half term since the pandemic began. However I could not be prouder of the staff of New Cangle who have risen to the challenge of supporting all our families and producing high quality learning at home and in school.

During the past 6 weeks we have:

- Started live lessons immediately after school closure
- Loaned out nearly 50 laptops
- Given frequent technical advice to parents
- Called many parents to give advice about wellbeing for children and themselves
- Delivered free school meals hampers and administered free school meals vouchers
- Supported 70+ learners in school

All of this has taken place when we have had to deal with, at times, no wifi, no cleaners due to self-isolation and staff shortages due to self-isolation. I would like to say well done to the whole team for their hard work and dedication to the children and our families.

## Parents' Consultations

During the week of 22<sup>nd</sup> February, you will be able to make an appointment with the class teacher to dicuss how your child is getting on at home or in school. These appointments will take place via video call and will be via the School Cloud system we used last time. Appointments will last 10 minutes, with 1 minute in between appointments for teachers to prepare for the next one. Teachers are available different days and times over the week to fit in with their remote teaching and their routines with their own families. Parents should be able to make an appointment at a time that suits them. School Cloud have updated their system so that more than 1 parent can be on a call at a time. Some parents will see that the class teacher may be listed twice, as per the image on the right: once as the class and once as SEN. If the SEN option is selected, a joint appointment can be made with the class teacher and Mrs Pector. This option is only available for pupils with SEN.

Mrs Berry	Mrs Berry
Class Year 5	SEN Y5

The link to login to school cloud can be found here:

<https://newcangle.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

A guide for parents about how to attend an appointment over video call can be found here:

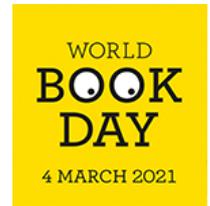
<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>

A guide that explains how to invite another parents to a call can be found here:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/862-video-appointments-parents-how-to-invite-another-parent-guardian-to-join-your-appointments>

### **World Book Day – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

Yes it's that time of year again and we will be celebrating the day in school and with the remote learning. If your child, whether in school or at home, would like to dress up as a book character, they are more than welcome. The teachers will be dressing up and we look forward to seeing some interesting outfits on the live lessons.



### **Covid-19 Positive case reporting**

If your child tests positive during half term, and has been in school, please send me a Dojo message to let me know so that I can contact other parents if appropriate. I will check my Dojo messages once a day during the holidays for any reported cases.

School will reopen after half term on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. On that date we should get more information from the government about reopening plans and whether more children will be allowed back in school from the 8<sup>th</sup> March. As soon as the government publishes more information, we will be in contact to let you know how this will affect your child.

I hope that you have an enjoyable half-term break.

Yours faithfully,



Jacqueline Brading  
Headteacher