

Happy New Year Everyone,

Firstly, thank you for a smooth start to the new year (2022!). It was really helpful to have advanced information on Tuesday of positive cases before the children returned.

So far we are not doing too badly but it is early days. We have 10 children off with a positive test or awaiting results. I will of course continue to let you know if there has been a positive result in your child's class since the children have been back in school.

## COVID 19

Although the rules and regulations are changing all the time this is where we stand at present / starting next week:

- a positive LFT and no symptoms - isolate for 7 days, re test on day 6 and 7 and if negative return to school on day 8. If still testing positive on day 7 isolate until the end of 10 days isolation. A positive LFT must be reported to school and NHS test and trace
- a positive LFT and symptoms - isolate and book a PCR test. Report positive LFT to school and NHS
- if your child is unwell with any Covid symptoms inform school and do not send them in until tested
- if there is a positive case in your child's class or club they have attended you will be informed and re requested to do 7 days of LFT with your child

We are continuing to try and get a balance between managing to situation and ensuring children are not adversely affected in the following ways:

- we will continue with clubs while we can
- we are focusing this half term on happiness and positive experiences
- support is available for children struggling with any aspect of wellbeing
- we will continue with the rolling start and end times 8.45 - 9.00am (Nursery 8.55 - 9.00am) and 2.45 - 3.05pm (Nursery 3.00pm) - we appreciate the social distancing from adults when dropping off and picking up
- we will continue with not mixing classes
- staff are wearing masks in communal areas - we appreciate adults wearing masks when dropping off and picking up
- visitors are required to wear masks in school
- the CO2 monitors are in all classes and good ventilation (windows open) is in place
- hand washing!!!

## Learning from home

If your child is Self Isolating from next week there will be learning available for them. Please make sure you let us know straight away if a laptop is required. Make sure you know your child's TEAMS log in. We can resend them out to you but please keep them safe. The staff are reminding the children how to log in and find the work. If the class is having to learn from home at any point then we will look at a balance of live learning, power points, website links, oak academy links, teacher videos etc as we did last year. Nursery will receive daily videos via parentmail. Let's hope we are lucky and can avoid this.

## Snow

If we know there is a chance of disruptions to school due to snow and challenging driving conditions we will inform parents / carers the night before that there will be no breakfast club and any decision to keep school closed will be made by 8.30am at the latest when we know about staff able to attend. Make sure you have parentmail and are using it.

**Happiness** -"you carry the passport to your own happiness" Diane Von Furstenburg

This week in assembly we were looking at all the things that bring us happiness - it could be a place, a person, an activity or hobby, a new experience. I challenged the children to find a bag or box and put these in their box to remind themselves that despite the hard times there are still many things to keep us happy. It would be a lovely family activity to do together were you wanting to take up the challenge!

## P.E this term

Monday- FS2, Year 2 and Year 4

Tuesday - Year 6 swimming, Year 1

Wednesday - Year 4 , Year 5 and and Year 6

Thursday - Year 2 (Grab a grown up for Y2 has been been cancelled this half term), Year q and Year 3

Friday - Year 2 and Year 5

Enjoy your weekend