



News from Cumnor School

Spring Term Number 8

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Dear Parents,

I hope you and your children enjoyed World Book Day yesterday. It was great to see, albeit virtually, so many children joining in and enjoying their books. I hope you enjoyed the assembly and the staff book readings too. Thank you to all of them for contributing so enthusiastically and especially Miss Jones for organising the day.

Lateral Flow Testing

Apologies for the slightly misleading email I sent yesterday regarding lateral flow testing for families. As some of you spotted, the guidance is that **adults** with primary aged children can collect or order lateral flow tests for themselves, and the children should not be tested.

School Dinners

The School Lunch Company have created a new three-week menu cycle for the rest of the academic year. For the time being we will continue to have meals in the classrooms and the children's lunches will be brought to them. Please see the attached menu plan.

Year 1 inspiration

Our Year 1 children have been very active during lockdown. They have all been inspired by Sophie who, along with her mum, ran 28 miles in the 28 days of February, to raise over £1,000 for charity. The rest of the class caught the bug and now Sophie, along with Ollie, Nathaniel and Nellie are all going to do the OX5 children's hospital run on 28th March. What an amazing bunch they are!



Primary School Health Team Newsletter

Please see the attached newsletter for your information.

Return to school on Monday

We are all really looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday. A few parents have expressed some anxiety about the safety of sending the children back. The covid security in school is as tight, if not tighter than it was in September and so, with the national and local picture now seemingly similar to that of September / October, we are expecting all children to return to school on Monday. The routines etc. are similar to those that we established before Christmas, but that was quite a long time ago, so in case you need a few reminders:

- Only one adult to accompany children to school.
- Follow the one-way system down the drive and to the classrooms outside doors.
- Arrive and leave the school grounds promptly, maintaining social distancing – please don't let your children play with other children before or after school, or use the outside play equipment.
- Arrive between 8.35am (no earlier) and 9.00am and collect from 3.00pm.
- Wear face coverings when on school grounds.
- Please don't enter the school building.
- If you need to speak to a member of staff, please do so outside or email / phone in.

You may also recall that we had our own little epidemic of coughs and colds when we returned to school in September. We really would like to avoid this again over the next few weeks, so if your children are ill, please keep them at home until they are well again so that these other illnesses don't impact too much on the other children at school.

Have a good weekend, and we look forward to opening again for everyone on Monday.

Yours sincerely,

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