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This newsletter will keep you updated with events at Wheatfields Primary and it is intended to add to the information you receive on a regular basis from your child's class teacher in the weekly 'Learning Review' and termly curriculum letters. You will also receive additional information from Wheatfields Preschool and Kids Club.

Parent Consultations - 8 / 9th February

You will have received an email regarding booking parent consultations that will be held online again this year. We look forward to sharing learning and progress with you.

PAWS fundraising has brought new outdoor play equipment

During half term, a climbing frame is being installed on the grass area behind Kids Club. The school has been looking for some time to extend its outdoor provision to provide more challenge for our older pupils in KS2. We will be so excited to see the new frame and we invite you to come and have a look on the first day back after half term! Thank you to PAWS for their fundraising efforts and to the parent community for supporting PAWS events.

Year 1

Year 1 have loved listening to stories on their new Tonies box. With this box, the children are able to listen to stories and songs from a variety of characters. We were lucky enough to be given some WHSmith vouchers, which meant we were able to buy 3 additional stories. We have Winnie the Pooh, Stickman and Miss Hammond's favourite Oi Frog! We are hoping to be able to buy more characters soon so that more children can use the Tonies box and listen to more fabulous stories. Photos are on the school website.

Huntingdonshire Child and Family Centres Team

The new What's On guide accompanies this newsletter, which details the groups and virtual sessions that we will be offering to local families in February. Please note that it may be subject to change.

All sessions must be booked in advance; bookings are taken for the following week every Monday, contact details are included in the booklet. There are no restrictions on how far in advance self-weigh bookings can be made.



















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Early Intervention Family Workers

If you need to talk to someone about your child/children over the school holiday's we are offering virtual drop appointments across 5 days with our team of Early Intervention Family Workers. We welcome any Parent/Carer that would like to join.

These are running:

Monday 14th February 2022 10.30am – 12 noon Tuesday 15th February 2022 10.30am – 12 noon Wednesday 16th February 2022 10.30am – 12 noon Thursday 17th February 2022 10.30am – 12 noon Friday 18th February 2022 10.30am – 12 noon

Our drop in will be hosted through Microsoft teams. You will need internet access and a device to be able to join through using your web browser. Please contact via the details below if you are interested in attending and we will allocate a one-to-one 15-minute time slot and send you the link. For more information or to request the drop in link please contact Kayleigh.fry@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

COVID update

Over the last fortnight, we have had the highest number of positive cases since the pandemic began. I know that this has been a worrying time for the school community and I would like to thank staff pupils and parents for their support and good levels of communication. We are not alone in having such high numbers as many schools in Cambridgeshire are faced with the same challenges. I am not sure that other schools have such a great parent body though so thank you all!

Every year group has positive cases currently. To try to reduce transmission where possible additional measures have been put in place, supported by Public Health. Each KS2 class is eating their meals separately at lunchtime, unnecessary movement of pupils around the school has been reduced and EYFS and KS1 pupils are kept as separate as possible from KS2 pupils during the school day. School staff are continuing to social distance and to wear face coverings in communal areas. We would be grateful if parents would continue to support us with managing the spread of infection by wearing face coverings during drop off and pick up.

In order to respond as soon as possible to any illness or absence from school due to Covid symptoms we have set up a covid@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk email address. Due to high numbers, you will receive an automated response. Please be assured that each message is read and appropriate action



















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taken and close contacts informed. Use this email address to notify us of any Covid related absence and when you receive your negative test result and are able to email us the result. Please continue to use the Covid@ address for Covid related absence, not the absence line.

Daily LFT for close contacts are picking up asymptomatic staff, parents and pupils so we are so grateful for staff and parental engagement with this. Please register your LFT results on the gov.uk site.

You can also use this link https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/ to find where you can collect LFT from locally. You need to enter your postcode and you may also need a code before collecting which you can get from a link on the page.

Mini Medics

Another Mini Medics first aid training session is being held on the morning of 16th February 2022 at the Vicky Grant School of Dance on Edison Road in St. Ives.

The course is aimed at 7-11 year olds and will include learning all about first aid subjects such as CPR, defibrillation, choking, wounds and bleeding, shock, asthma, and the recovery position.

This is a very basic introduction to First Aid and Defibrillation aimed at children. The course will show complete respect for the child's ability, make it educational and practical, and instil the importance of helping someone who is poorly or injured. A range of subjects are covered including: Contacting the emergency services, CPR, Asthma and many more!

Date: 16th February Timings: 09:00 – 12:00

Price: £40.00

Contact: Scott Grant Mob: 07816982887 Email: scott@stacs.training

With very best wishes,

Mrs Thornton

We aim to give you as much notice as possible for school events. All dates can be found using the calendar on our school website <u>www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk</u>. You will also receive our Calendar of Events detailing events through the school year.















