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...in the news!

Monday 4th October 2021

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.

COVID - thank you!

Thank you so much for continuing to be proactive regarding Covid. Last week there were 735 positive cases in schools across Cambridgeshire and numbers of cases are continuing to rise. We are monitoring our situation daily. There is no requirement to do so but we will continue to send out letters if there is a positive case in your child's class or year group so that you can be aware. Thank you for your continued vigilance and support.

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. Please 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. Should you or a member of your family receive a positive test result phone the school immediately. If it is the evening or weekend send an email using covid@wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk

Self-isolation

If your child has any symptoms of Covid, a high temperature, a continuous cough or a lack of taste and smell, they must have a PCR test and self-isolate. **LFD tests are not suitable for symptomatic children aged 11 and under and will not be accepted by the school.** Guidance now states that if another family member has tested positive for Covid and they need to self-isolate, other household members do not need to self-isolate and pupils can attend school **as long as they have no symptoms**.

If a pupil tests positive and is self-isolating the rest of the class remain at school even when there has been close contact. Should there be 5 or more cases that are linked, the school will be guided by the Local Authority and Public Health and parents will be informed of any changes to procedures.

Car Parking in a Residential Area

The car park area, set back to the left as you approach school on Nene Way, is private property and allocated for residents parking only. Please be considerate when parking near the school. Thank you.

Parent Consultations

We are holding our Autumn term parent consultation meetings online again this term. The dates are Wednesday 20th October (between 3.15 and 7.00pm) and Thursday 21st October (between 3.15 and 5.00pm). Nearer the time, we will send out appointment booking instructions and logging in instructions. The appointments will be as close to 10 minutes as possible whilst allowing for a changeover between appointments for staff.

Would you like support and strategies to support your child at home on the following topics? Sibling Rivalry Anger Anxiety Sleep

We are offering online workshops that will cover a variety of topics for parents and carers to attend. Workshops will be offered online each Monday up until December and will start at 12 and finish at 1.

4th October: Anxiety Workshop



















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11th October: Sleep Workshop 18th October: Anxiety Workshop 25th October: Sibling Rivalry Workshop 1st November: Anger Workshop 8th November: Anxiety Workshop 15th November: Sleep Workshop 22nd November: Anger Workshop 29th November: Sibling Rivalry Workshop

6th December: Anger Workshop

If you would like to join any of these sessions, please email the address below with the date of the session/sessions you wish to attend and you will be added to the interest list. We require names and a contact number and the name of the Primary School your child / children attend. Your details will only be recorded on the interest list for the sessions, and in line with GDPR regulations. Consent to participate in any of these sessions will be presumed when you click the link to join on the electronic invitation, which will be sent out the day before. These emails may go into spam folders so please check carefully.

To book your place please contact Christylee O'Grady on <u>Christylee.OGrady@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</u> or Zoe.Hope@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

If you'd like to join the workshop you will need internet access and a device able to connect to Microsoft Teams via web browser. (Full access instructions will be given once your place is booked).

Online Learning Platforms

Mathletics, Busy Things, Readiwriter and TT Rockstars have proved to very popular and we are delighted with the uptake. The school is funding these programmes again this year to support learning. Regular practice helps to embed learning of spellings and times tables and makes them easy to recall if they are practiced frequently. We take time to celebrate pupil's achievements using these programmes because we know how much they help your children in the classroom. It would be good if every child could participate at home this year. Until the log ins can be transferred to new classes, we would ask your child(ren) to use their login details from last academic year. Any problems, please let your class teachers know and we can help. If you are in receipt of pupil Premium and do not have a device for your child to use at home, please email admin for the attention of Mrs Verney-Davies.

Half termly projects

You will be sent a half termly homework project menu which will also be available on the website. We look forward to you bringing your creations and projects in to school to share. What was called homework is now called home learning and all of the sites we use have links on our website using the link below https://www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk/website/home_learning_programmes/247503

Pupil Premium and Free School Meals - Please Apply

The past few months have seen many families nationwide struggle financially, finding themselves in very different circumstances. If your situation changed over lockdown, or you feel you may qualify for support with the cost of School, you can apply online easily by following this <u>link</u> and you should get a response within a few days. Children who are successfully registered for Free School Meals are also automatically entitled to Pupil Premium funding which is used directly by the School. Your child may be eligible for this funding even if they are in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2; they do not need to be in Key Stage 2. The School use this to provide daily free milk, a uniform allowance and



















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support towards the cost of school outings, clubs and enrichment activities. We also use the funding to provide Forest Schools provision, arts-based play therapy, academic interventions and boosters for those who may need additional support, so we urge you to apply. For further information or support in completing the form, please contact the School Office.

FREE gardening equipment for schools when you shop at Morrisons

Morrisons are offering gardening equipment to schools if parents register using mymorrisons.com. On your first visit you will be asked to select the school you'd like to donate your Grow Tokens to. We would love to have them!! Once registered you can collect Grow Tokens for any shopping you do online or in store. After each shop you need to log onto your MyMorrisons account and donate your tokens. More information can be found at www.itsgoodtogrow.co.uk

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 www.wheatfields.cambs.sch.uk. You will also receive our Calendar of Events detailing events through the school year.









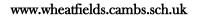














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