



8th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Now that we are at the end of the first week back, I would like to wish you a belated Happy New Year in the hope that in the months ahead things begin to improve for everybody. I would like to thank you for the generosity that was shown during the Autumn Term and particularly at Christmas. The many messages and gifts that came into school were very much appreciated.

This new lockdown has presented us all with new challenges and I feel that the Government's decision to take this step reflects the concerns raised by staff for the safety of others in light of new Covid 19 variant. School will continue to do all it can to support all the children and families during this period in the hope that it won't be too long before we are able to have all children back in school.

Remote or Blended Learning

By now you will have hopefully received a letter with an attached google form for you to complete. This information will help us to help you in providing effect home learning for those children who are unable to be in school. Keep an eye out for an email in relation to the 'homelearning@' email which we have been using for parents to share work completed at home. This will change from one whole school 'homelearning@' email to separate class home learning emails.

Refunds

Over the course of the next few weeks or so, refunds will be sent out, hopefully by Parentpay in relation to Milk and After School Clubs.

School Dinner Update

During the current lockdown we are able to offer a hot meal option. The table below shows what is on offer, including a vegetarian option.

	HOT OPTION	Vegetarian Option	COLD OPTION
MONDAY	Baked Potato	Veggie Filling	Wrap, Batch or Roll Filed with Ham, Chicken, Tuna and/or Cheese
TUESDAY	Sausage, Mash & Gravy	Quorn Sausage	
WEDNESDAY	Baking Potato	Veggie Filling	
THURSDAY	Cheese Pizza, Wedges & Beans	Cheese Pizza, Wedges & Beans	
FRIDAY	Fish'n'Chips	Fish 'n' Chips	



As in the Autumn Term, the children will be asked on the day which option they would like to have for lunch. We therefore ask you to go through the options with your child each week so that they can confidently and clearly put in their request.

It is **only** packed lunch children who have the option of buying fish and chips (Friday). This must be paid for, in advance, on the Monday of that week via Parent Pay.

Children who have a school dinner and pay for their meal, will be charged via Parent Pay. School Meal children cannot bring in a packed lunch unless parents have brought this to the attention of the school office. Any **school dinner** child who turns up with a packed lunch without notification will still be charged for a school meal.

Free School Meals

During the first lockdown last spring, free school meal families first of all received hampers before receiving vouchers. At the moment we are waiting for guidance from the Government and Local Authority as to whether vouchers will be provided. In the meantime, we are arranging for hampers to be provided to families. Further information with regards to this will be sent out next week.

P.E. Kit

We are currently looking at PE provisions in school, unless you hear different, you can assume your PE

Just a reminder that the children are to come into school on their P.E. day in their kits as long as they wear black tracksuit bottoms and their school green sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan over the top. The children are still to have their usual green PE top and black shorts underneath.

P.E. Schedule (pm unless stated otherwise)

Break Times

Water, and not fruit drinks, can still be brought into school to be consumed through the day. In addition to this your child is also allowed to bring in fruit to eat at break times.

Daily School Times

Thank you with your support this week while we work through the arrangements for the new lockdown and keyworkers and vulnerable children coming into school. With regards to drop and pick up times, we will be continuing with the plan from the Autumn Term with Years 4,5 & 6 arriving at 8.45am, Years 1,2 & 3 arriving at 9.00am and F2 arriving 9.05am. We are also continuing with the gates as planned. Though this week's pick up time has been 3.20pm we will be returning to the times followed during the Autumn Term. Therefore, Years 4,5 & 6 are to be picked up at 3.05pm, Years 1,2 & 3 are to be picked up at 3.20pm and F2 at 3.00pm.

Thank you again for your attention and co-operation. As this is an ever changing time, we will endeavour to keep you upto date as things develop in school. We advise you keep an eye on the school app, social media, school website and Marvellous Me.

Yours sincerely



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