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Newsletter - Friday 11th. September

COVID:

Thank you to everyone for the support you have given the school across the week. The children are now in good handwashing routines each day.

Please do not send your child if they are unwell and contact the school if your child has any COVID symptoms and book a test:

- New persistent cough
- High temperature
- Loss of taste or smell

Year group newsletter:

As you know we always send each year group an individual newsletter at the start of each term. Reception, Year 1/2, Years 4, 5 and 6 newsletters are available on the Year Group page on our school website. Years 2 and 3 will be uploaded on Monday.

4S PE DAY:

Please could children in 4S wear their PE kit to school next Tuesday (15th September) in addition to their normal PE days. Thank you.

Trainers:

Thank you to all parents/carers for sending their child to school in PE kits - it has worked well. Please could you make sure that if your child has trainers with laces they are able to fasten them without help.

Advice when using apps like Tik-Tok:

We have been made aware that there is a disturbing video being circulated on Tik-Tok. It is vital that you are vigilant when using all social-media in general as this video may be being shared across various different platforms. Please can we highlight to parents/carers the risks and dangers of using apps like Tik-Tok. Please set parental controls and security settings.

Here are some good links for parents and carers with regards to Tik-Tok.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/> - The link contains information about the app and how to set security settings and parental controls.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-advice-hub/social-media-concerns/> - Useful and practical information about social media concerns

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/apps-guide/> - App guides.



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Appointments:

If your child has an appointment during school hours, please do not bring them mid-session.

A morning appointment - bring them to school at lunchtime.

An afternoon appointment - please collect them at lunchtime.

Below is the list of timings for each year group lunchtime:

Reception - 11.30am

Year 1 - 12.30pm

Year 2 - 12.00pm

Year 3 - 12.00pm

Year 4 - 11.45am

Year 5 - 12.30pm

Year 6 - 12.30pm

Reminder - Home Learning - in the event of isolation or lockdown:

Please help us as we explore the future provision of home learning in the event a year group or the school should need to lockdown again. The form is in relation to which technology your child has access to at home. If you have already completed it thank you, you do not need to do it again.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=fYEj2f9qj0uKbelSCG1X7saVIGNjCqhEltYL99uuLCIUQVJNMzk2VFFUQTIySFVGRENKTU1RMUIVSiQIQCNOPWcu>