

Thirsk Community Primary School 26.02.2021

Friday 26th February

Dear Parents and Carers,

With just over a week to go until the return of all pupils to school, I am using this weeks newsletter to update you about the arrangements for pupils return on Monday 8th March. This letter will be the main source of information ready for the return of pupils to school. If you do have any questions, please do get in touch. As a school we are really looking forward to seeing everyone again. The last time that all pupils were in school was on Friday 18th December which, by the time that children return to school, it will have been a gap of 11 weeks!

Pupils will continue to be taught in bubbles and the bubble structure will remain as it was in the Autumn term. This structure limits the number of contacts that children and adults make and in the event of a positive infection, reduces the number of potential contacts.

Accessing School

We will be continuing to operate the one way system for dropping and collecting children from school. Please enter the school grounds via the Children's Centre and exit by the Community Centre. The time for drop-off and collection remain the same as in the Autumn term. The system for siblings remains the same –come at the earlier time.

Drop off times:

- EYFS bubble: 8.45-8.50am- this includes AM Nursery Children
- Year 1/2 bubble: 9.05-9.10am
- Year 2 bubble: 9.05-9.10am
- Year 3 bubble: Mrs Bullock 8.55-9.00am
- Year 4 bubble: Mrs Turner and Mrs Atkinson 8.55-9.00am
- Year 5 bubble: 8.45-8.50am
- Year 6 bubble: 8.45-8.50am

Collection times:

- Nursery pupils finishing at lunchtime: Nursery gate 12.00pm
- EYFS bubble: 3.00-3.05pm this includes PM Nursery Children
- Year 1/2 bubble: 3.15-3.20pm
- Year 2 bubble: 3.15-3.20pm
- Year 3 bubble: Mrs Bullock 3.10-3.15pm
- Year 4 bubble: Mrs Turner and Mrs Atkinson 3.10-3.15pm
- Year 5 bubble: 3.05 -3.10pmYear 6 bubble: 3.05 -3.10pm

Please stick carefully to the timings outlined above. These are designed to try and stagger the number of people accessing the site at the same time and to try and reduce possible transition. As before the holidays, please wear a facemask when coming on to the school site. When dropping off or collecting your child please can only 1 parent/ carer do this –again limiting numbers. If you are waiting for a gate to be opened please make sure that you use the markers that are painted on to the ground to maintain social distancing. Also avoid gathering by the entrance or exit points of the school. The bike and scooter park will remain closed –please do not bring them in to school. Pupils in Key Stage 2 that have parental permission to walk home alone from school will be able to do this from Monday 8th

Children will be expected to return to school in full school uniform. When it is your child's PE day they can come to school in their PE kit. Please also can children bring the essential items for a day at school e.g. packed lunch, coat, glasses etc. Please can anything unnecessary not be brought in to school. Primary aged children do not need to ware face masks

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If you have been given a loan of a school laptop. Please return these to school from Monday 8th March. These will need to be prepared ready in the event of further bubble closures. Laptops must be retuned directly to the school office.

As you would expect all families **must** work with the school to reduce spread of infection. This includes self isolating where a child or family member has any of the recognised symptoms of coronavirus, participating in test and trace and informing the school at the **earliest** possible opportunity of any test result.

If there is a situation where you are unable to access a test (following identification of recognized coronavirus symptoms) please speak to a member of the office staff. We do have a small number of test kits that in some circumstances we can give to families.

Can I remind everyone that if your child is Extremely Critically Vulnerable and has received a shielding letter they should not attend school. If this effects you then please contact the school office at the earliest opportunity. All other pupils can attend school.

If school is not open e.g. at weekends or during a holiday and your child test positive for coronavirus please inform the school as the earliest opportunity. To do this please send an email to:

covidalert@thirsk-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk This email address is monitored when school is closed.



STAY AT HOME

- ► Only leave home for food, medical reasons, exercise or work
- ► Work from home unless you are unable to do so
- Do not travel unless necessary
- Essential shops will remain open
- Schools will remain open for vulnerable children and the children of critical workers. All other children will learn remotely until February half term.

NHS

STAY HOME > PROTECT THE NHS > SAVE LIVES

Remote Learning Champions of the week:

The Big Top 3!

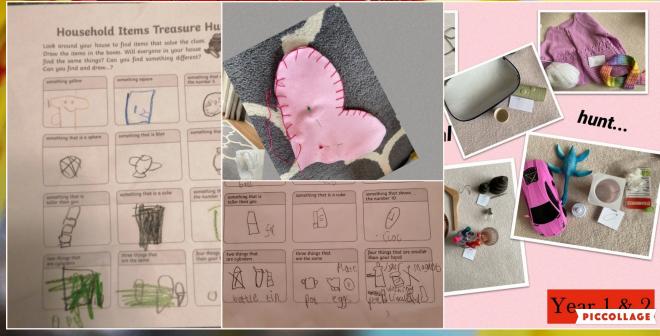
No.1 Reception -94%

No.2 Year 6 -90%

No.3 1/2B -89%

This week's home learning









5b. Donna has completed the following calculation.

$$4 \frac{3}{5} + \frac{19}{10} = 6 \frac{1}{2}$$



Is she correct? Explain how you know.

Year 5 & 6

