



Since the beginning of term it has been fantastic to welcome back all of our pupils to school. Thank you for your support with this. This week has seen lots of learning taking place around the school –and even an unexpected visit from a very friendly Jackdaw!

You may have noticed that we have updated the school website to make it more user friendly and to share more of the different things that we are up to at school. The school website also contains information about how we will continue to provide learning in the event of a school closure.

Virtual parents evening is taking place next week over the phone. This is going to be something different for everyone -if you have not yet made an appointment please do so. We have scheduled calls to last between 5 and 10 minutes with the focus being on how your child has settled back in and their current learning. Normally at parents evening we carry out a parental survey –this year we are hoping to do this remotely via the school website.

Over the last week I have had a number of reports about the use of the school car park including cars coming and leaving at speed. Please can I remind you that the school site has a speed limit of 5mph. Please also only use the car park if there is an empty parking bay. Can we also remind parents/carers that we do operate a non mobile phone policy, no smoking or vaping on the grounds and please can we kindly request parents/carers refrain from using bad language whilst collecting and dropping off their children.

Attendance

Class	% attendance this week (all pupils)
RW	100 Outstanding
1B	99 Excellent
2L	95
3B	92
4TA	94
5C	98 Fantastic
5H	94
6G	98 Fantastic
Total	96 Well done

After School & Breakfast Club

We have received some responses to our questionnaire for the need of the above clubs. Please send your requirements in asap so we are able to finalise details and arrangements following our Covid guidelines.

At present– we are looking at the feasibility of holding an Afterschool club from Tuesday till Thursday evening, from 3pm till 5pm. We are looking at starting this after the half term holidays; we will make our final decision next Friday . If this goes ahead please note the children will need to bring a packed Dinner, as no meals will be provided.

Dates For Your Diary

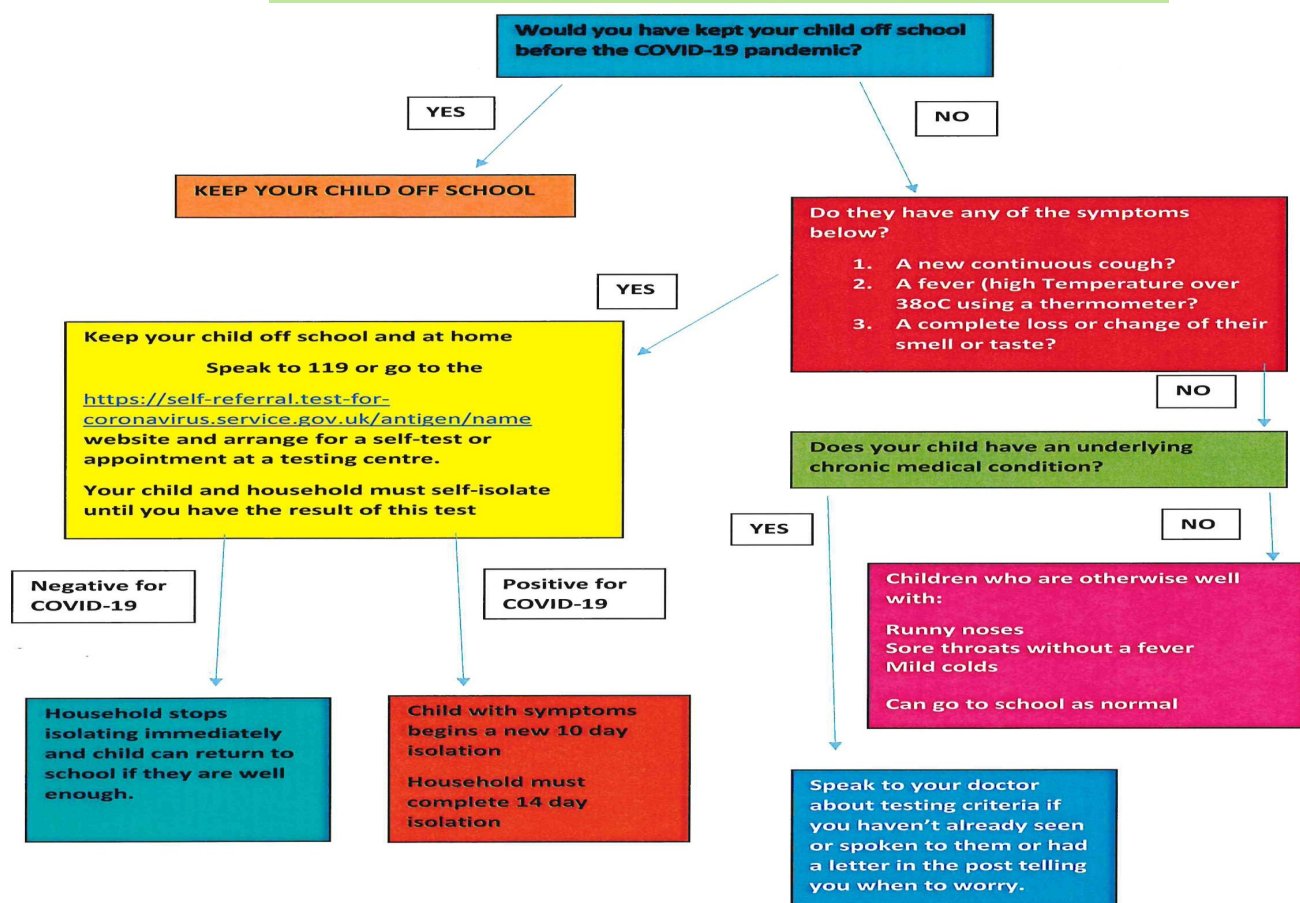
October

12th 6G Parents Evening
14th Influenza Vaccination
14-15th Parents Eve
15th Harvest Festival Special Lunch
16th Harvest Festival—**NON UNIFORM DAY**
26-31st PTA Virtual Pumpkin Carving Competition

November

16-20 Enrichment Wk. Arts/Music

COVID GUIDELINES



This is for guidance only if you have any queries about COVID-19 please refer to the NHS website

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Please Keep School fully informed 01845524349

PTA Information:-

Our Current PTA:-

Vote in new roles – Lisa Webster – stepping down as chair – thank you for the last 6 years

Kelly Wood - New Chair

Lisa Webster - Vice Chair

Emma James – Secretary

Emily Tait – Vice Secretary

Kate Mountford – Treasurer

Alexandra Trenholme – Vice Treasurer



Thirsk PTA needs you!!

The PTA are looking to publish a recipe book that will be on sale later this year (date TBC). This is where we need the help of children, parents and staff...do you have a budding cook/chef in your home?

We are aiming to produce a recipe book filled with delicious home cooked recipes with drawings and images provided by families of Thirsk Community Primary.

Please send your recipe suggestions to tcpptacookbook@gmail.com with cooking / baking instructions and if you are able to you can send images of the process or simply an image of the finished product. (We would love to include the children's handwritten / drawn content and would encourage any/all to be sent in with your recipe suggestion).

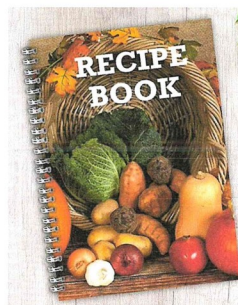
We are also running a competition for the children and would like them to design the front cover page, this can be a recipe of their choice and the winning image will be published on the cover. (We may even be able to talk the kitchen staff into turning this into a special lunch!!)

All recipes & images need to be submitted to the above email address by November 10th to allow us to send them to print.

By submitting any images you are giving us permission to use these in the final print.

We look forward to seeing all your home cooked favourite recipes!

Thank you! The PTA



**Friends of Thirsk Community
Primary School PTA**
Virtual Pumpkin carving competition
From 26th – 31st October

Email your entry to

tcpptacompetition@gmail.com

Cost £1 per entry via ParentPay. Winner is the photo with the most likes on the original post.

Winner to be announced 2nd November

For more information see the PTA Facebook page or speak to a member of the pta





Harvest Festival Lunch 15th October 2020

We are to have a Harvest Festival Lunch on Thursday 15th 2020. Lunch will be:-

Roast Chicken with Stuffing and Gravy

Roast Potatoes

Seasonal Vegetables

Harvest Bread



Fresh Fruit

Apple & Toffee Cake

Yoghurt

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

5 days absence over the whole year
97% - 100%
Good chance of success and progress

20 days absence over the whole year
90%
Last chance of success
Harder to make progress

30+ days absence over the whole year
Under 90%
Detrimental to success and progress

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!



"In the line for ten to nine!"



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