

THIS WEEK IN FOCUS



What a week, children and staff are well into the swing of school life and learning is vibrant. Our NHS week has been superb. We are so grateful to all of our parents and friends who have shared their working lives with us on zoom or video, ranging from paramedics and nurses, to student nurses and midwives!

We are so blessed to have enabled the children to ask questions about these important roles in the NHS.

We also enjoyed worship with Jordan this week which was about the creation story and Ralph joined him at just the right time for day 6 – animals!

We are grateful to our Governors for reading the mountain of paperwork in order to both support and challenge our schools' development from the range of children's achievements and wellbeing, to budget and staffing, pupil and sports premium paperwork, COVID and health and safety items, safeguarding and policies. We look forward to our virtual meeting with them next week.

We are really excited about our Harvest services next week and we will share our virtual links nearer the time, we hope that you can come! Please don't forget the suggested produce which we will take to the YMCA food bank we are really grateful for your support.

Harvest Services - Friday 2nd October

All Saints – 9.15am Needwood – 2.30pm

GOVERNMENT



https://www.gov.uk/government/news/coronavirus-covid-19-what-has-changed-22-september? utm_source=23%20September%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email% 20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

This is a useful link to the changes in guidance announced on the 22nd September which came into force on Thursday 24th.

Public Health England have produced a letter for schools to distribute to you which explains when a person requires a coronavirus test and what the symptoms of coronavirus are. The intention of the letter is to help prevent children being taken out of school unnecessarily and answer some of the questions parents may have around testing. (This letter is attached to the newsletter).

If you would like the government guidance and plans in an alternative language, a good number have been released. Please let us know and we can send it to you, please say which language you would like.

PARENTS EVENING



As previously notified, this year we will be holding parents evening on a virtual platform. We aim for this to take place during the week of 12th October, please note, we may be offering different days and times to facilitate this. In the forthcoming weeks we will let you have more information about this including the booking process as well as providing a link to join us online.

We will be using Microsoft Teams. Please don't worry! You don't need to download an app or install anything unless you want to - you can use the web based version. What we do ask is that you add your name which is recognisable to your child as we will be admitting people into the meeting room for their time slot and may have others in the lobby and we need to know who is who! Thank you for your understanding.

FACE MASKS/WET WIPE LITTER

The Playing Field Committee are having to clean the carpark on a daily basis due to wet wipes and face masks being discarded.

Please do make sure that you take these home with you to discard safely. It also demonstrates to our children the importance of not littering and respecting our neighbours.

Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend. **Mrs Gethin**



CHANGES TO DROP OFF AND COLLECTION CLASS 1

We are changing the place that families drop off and pick up class 1 children to the garden behind their classroom and they will come out of their back door. Please take care when entering and leaving the gate as we cannot offer a 1 way system. We will not mark the area for now as it is grassed and ask families to socially distance carefully. We will start from collection today. Thank you.

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

We will be sending out class overviews of our curriculum titles for the year. It gives you a flavour of what your children will be learning so you can engage with them.

	Autumn 1 First 3 weeks all around wellbeing whole school		Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Class 1	Ralph	Amazing Me!	Remember, Remember	Happily Ever After! Hoppily Ever After	Toy Story!	Down in the Jungle	Nature, Nurture
Class 2	Uganda	Me and My Body	Remember, Remember Remember	Toy Story!	Lost in Space!	Down in the Jungle	Nature, Nurture
Class 3	NHS	Exploring Egyptians	On Location	Switch it on	Settements Habitats	Amazing Amazon	How to Train your Viking Train Your Viking
Class 4		How the World Works	It's a disaster!	Switch it on	Out of this world	Healthy Balance	Doctor, doctor DOCTOR DOCTOR

APPROACHES TO MATHEMATICS

Each year we conduct parent information sessions which go through our approaches to teaching maths and the way we do things so that you can help children at home. As we are unable to meet, we are sending out documents to help you support your children. (These will be sent electronically separately).

ANYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

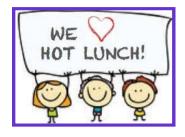
CENSUS DAY

We would like to encourage all children in Class 1 and Class 2 (KS1) to stay for a school dinner on Thursday next week (1st October). This is Census day for the school and the number of KS1 children who stay for a school dinner on this day affects the amount we can claim for Universal Free School Meals. Your support is very much appreciated. Thank you.

LUNCHES

Next week's menu will be:-

Monday	Vegetable Supreme Pizza with dough balls
Tuesday	Mac 'n' Cheese
Wednesday	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy
Thursday	Fish and Chips (CENSUS DAY)
Friday	Wallace and Gromit Tomato Pasta Pots



We are able to offer either a hot lunch, jacket potato or sandwiches.

BREAK SALES

Our Catering team will be offering break sales from Monday 28th September.

Please make sure you send a completed form (attached to the newsletter) with the correct money into school in an envelope with your child's name and class on it. Please order for the whole week on a Monday. Unfortunately they cannot accept any alterations to this on a different day.



IT CONNECTIVITY AND HARDWARE NEEDS

Since March our approach to using IT in school and at home has increased greatly. We are proud that we were able to lend older school i-pads to families without IT hardware or who have large families and needed more devices during the period of partial closure and the need to distance learn.

We were also able to provide laptops through the government scheme to eligible children.

In order to prepare for a future lockdown and indeed look to the requirements of families in terms of distance learning for homework and self-motivated learning (such as TT Rockstars etc.), we ask that you please take 2 minutes to complete the following short IT 'Use and Connectivity' survey so we may look at how we can help our families.

As the changes are coming thick and fast with COVID and we need to consider requirements, please complete the survey by **Monday 28th September.** Thank you.

https://forms.microsoft.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx? id=o9n4cUczDUCoUtIXzz1ITnm4MBntzA5EnJXCn8N3dT1UREtCR0xUM09UUVY4UjVOTTRQVzRFN UZONy4u

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO -

HARVEST

A few suggestions for our Harvest Collection are:-

Tinned foods (ring pulls only please) - soup, baked beans, tomatoes, tinned fruit etc.

Dry Foods - cereal bars, cakes, chocolate bars, biscuits etc.

Rice, pasta, cereals, crackers, crisps

Bottled water, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shower gel, hand sanitiser, anti-bacterial cream/wipes, first aid supplies.

Please bring any donations into school on **Friday 2nd October**. Thank you for your support.



USEFUL INFORMATION



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ADVICE SERVICE



We have access to an emergency assistance service to provide food and emergency supplies for families in need. We appreciate we work closely with our families and will have supported your access of this service but, it may be that we are not aware of all of our families' needs and so, please contact us to refer you. (Please see document attached to the newsletter for more information).

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COVID-19 QUICK GUIDE

Please see below a quick guide for parents/carers which helps parents know what to do if children/family members are unwell. We are also attaching a letter for Staffordshire County

COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers



What to do i	f	Action needed	Back to school	
	my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	 Child shouldn't attend school Child should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test result 	when child's test comes back negative and symptom free for 48 hours	
	my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	 Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) – even if someone test negative during those 14 days 	when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.	
	somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	 Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*	
	somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	 Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day test if no symptoms) – even if someone tests negative during those 14 days 	when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days	

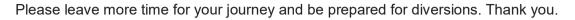
A household includes everyone living in one home plus their support bubble (if you have one).

*Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of taste or smell. See more at: www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms

PLEASE CONSIDER

TATENHILL LANE ROAD CLOSURE

We understand that the closure of the road which runs past school from **28th September** for 5 days will affect families from both schools. You can check online at Roadworks.org.





YMCA BURTON SLEEPOUT

Due to social distancing measures which are still in place, this year YMCA Burton are going virtual with their biggest annual fundraiser; Sleepout! They are asking you to sleep in or sleep out to take part and raise vital funds and awareness for homelessness. Some suggestions where you might spend the night are the garden, the kitchen floor, your workplace or even sofa surf. As pets have never been allowed before, this is the perfect opportunity to get your furry best friend involved. You can register at their website on www.burtonymca.org/sleepout where you can also find out more details about the event.



Parish News

RANGEMORE SERVICES SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER, TRINITY 17, COLOUR GREEN 11.15 AM Holy Communion by Extension John Harrison Morning Prayer 9.30 am on 2nd and 4th Fridays in Rangemore.



Disclaimer: We are proud to have a newsletter which shares information with you for our parish, village, WI, social club, Rascals and our local communities. We do try to vet all items which go into School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille. Please speak to Mrs. Gethin if you have a particular requirement.

