

## Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Public Health England has produced a letter for schools to distribute to parents which explains what the symptoms of coronavirus are, and when a person requires a coronavirus test. The intention of the letter is to help prevent children being taken out of school unnecessarily and to answer some of the questions parents may have about testing. [You can view the letter here](#)

Our usual charity events have been curtailed recently, it was sad to miss our annual Macmillan Coffee morning for example. This year we will be supporting Unicef with the Paddington Bear activities you may have seen advertised on television recently, and we hope to organise at least one event later in the year for the Yomelelani South African School, whose children we met and sang with (virtually) last year.

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October our weekly Zoom assembly to the whole school will incorporate aspects of the normal Harvest Festival. As part of this I am inviting the children to bring tinned and dried food contributions for the local foodbank and/or personal hygiene items for *Choose Love*, a refugee charity. They would particularly appreciate receiving nappies, toothpaste, roll on deodorants, shampoo, shower gel, bars of soap and double-layer washable face masks. We will be collecting any contributions under the Fosse tent at the sanitising station at school. This is part of the children's *Making a difference in the world* theme.

What a great pleasure it is to see how quickly everyone has settled this term, particularly our new two-year-olds who are remarkably independent and chatty little people. At the other end of the school, Year Six are working very hard, with some also coming to Saturday morning school for five weeks in preparation for the Kent Tests in October.

We wish Isla and Cameron all the best as they leave for Hong Kong today and we look forward to hearing how they are getting on.

We have been very lucky with the weather this term, enabling everyone to play outside. We wish to continue doing so but the children will now need their jumpers and coats in school. School photographs next week on 29<sup>th</sup> will require smart winter uniform including blazers please.

Items that may require action on ParentMail:

- Payment for October Holiday Club – **deadline 25<sup>th</sup> September**
- Instalment payment for the Y5/6 Residential trip – **deposit due by 30<sup>th</sup> September**
- Parents Evening appointment booking

Best wishes

**Alison Cordingley**  
Headmistress

## Diary Dates for the future

Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual School Photographs	9.00am – 11.00am
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Y3 and Y6 Parents Evening (Zoom)	4.30pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Y4 Parents Evening (Zoom)	5.30pm – 8.00pm
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Y5 Parents Evening (Zoom)	5.15pm – 8.30pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Y1 Parents Evening (Zoom)	5.30pm – 8.00pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Fosse Association Pumpkin Trail	During school hours
19 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> October	<i>Half term</i>	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception to Y6 Flu Nasal Immunisations	9.00am – 11.00am

See more comprehensive diary dates on the school website [here](#)