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Friday 6th November

Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope you had a pleasant half term break. Please see below information for your attention.

Letters

Due to COVID19, we are trying to reduce the amount of letters we send home. From Monday 9th November, letters will be sent on the SIMS Parent App and posted on the school website. You should check both daily to keep up-to-date with events.

Text Messages

We are no longer able to send text messages from today. The only method of communication will be on the SIMS Parent App and the school website. A questionnaire was sent out for you to complete on Thursday 5th November. Please complete this by Monday 10th November. You must contact the school office if you are having any difficulty in using the SIMS Parent App.

Children in Need

To support Children in Need this year on Friday 13th November we will be holding a non-uniform day. We kindly ask for a donation of £1 on the day. Children can come in non-uniform and have a cake at break time. The school will buy the cakes 72 hours in advance and the packaging will be wiped. (The cakes will be individually wrapped)

INSET Day

Friday 20th November – No school for pupils (staff training day)

Christmas 2020

We are currently in the process of putting our Christmas programme of events together. Christmas will be different but we will make sure that the children have the best possible Christmas in school whilst following the restrictions. We will notify you of our plans in the next few weeks.

COVID19 - Reminder

The 'fire break' lockdown procedures are still in force until Monday 9th November. Please ensure that you are fully aware of the restrictions in place.

What restrictions will be in place?

There are 5 main things:

- people must stay at home, except for very limited purposes
- people must not visit other households or meet other people they do not live with
- certain businesses and venues, including bars, restaurants and most shops must close
- face coverings continue to be mandatory in the indoor public spaces that remain open (subject to certain exemptions and exceptions), including on public transport and in taxis



When can I leave home?

You should only be outside of your home for very limited reasons, which include:

- the need to obtain supplies and services for you or your household, for example food, medicine, and essential household maintenance. We encourage everyone to make this as infrequently as possible
- to exercise, alone or with members of your household. We encourage this to be done locally.
- to access childcare and education
- to access medical services or other public services
- to deposit and withdraw money from a bank or similar establishment
- to provide care for or to help a vulnerable person; this includes getting food or medicines for them
- to help the NHS by donating blood
- for work purposes, or voluntary or charitable purposes, but only where it is not reasonably practicable to do this from home
- to visit a cemetery, burial ground or garden of remembrance to pay your respects
- to attend a wedding, civil partnership or funeral if you are invited
- to attend court or meet other legal obligations
- to escape a risk of illness or injury, such as for victims or people at risk of domestic abuse
- to access services provided to victims of crime or domestic abuse or those at imminent risk of becoming victims

Can family or friends provide informal childcare?

- Yes, but this form of childcare should only be used when no other methods are available. Children should not be cared for outside of their home if they are ill, or by anyone who is ill. Adults dropping off children for childcare should not enter someone else's home.

New COVID19 Guidelines come into force on Monday 9th November

Please see the link below to the new guidelines.

<https://gov.wales/coronavirus-regulations-guidance#section-53273>

- Children should not be having tea with other children after school
- Children should not be having sleepovers
- Children should not be meeting in large groups after school

It is everyone's responsibility to respect and follow the guidelines at all times.

Yours sincerely

N Pryce
Headteacher

