



Wisbech St Mary CE Academy Newsletter

28th January 2022

But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. (Isaiah 40:31)

A MESSAGE FROM MISS LYNCH

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half-term break! I am so excited about our upcoming events this term, like World Book Day, Red Nose Day, Science Week, Lent Challenge, Years 3, 4 and 5 Easter Production – more information to follow later in the term (see the calendar at the back for dates).

WORLD BOOK DAY



A reminder that we will be celebrating World Book Day Thursday 3rd March and our theme this year is “The Mad Hatter’s Reading Tea Party”. We would really love for the children to dress up in line with this theme. We have some activities planned for the children to take part in on the day and our PTFA has been really busy preparing for a wonderland to be set up in the hall. We will also have a special World Book Day lunch menu. All in all it’s set to be a ‘Frabjous Day!’

WINTER WEAR AND SPARE CLOTHES



The weather is still very cold, therefore we kindly request that parents send their children to school in clothing that is appropriate for the weather – hats, gloves, scarves etc. The children do go outside at breaks and lunchtime, and as such, may get wet or muddy. We therefore advise that spare clothing be sent in with your child, which can be kept in school and which they can change into should the need arise.

PARENTS CONSULTATIONS



Thank you so much to all our parents who attended our Parent Consultations on Wednesday, either in person or via SchoolCloud. It was amazing to welcome so many of you back into our school again. We are also so grateful to those who took the time to complete our parent questionnaire regarding our school. We have received some amazing comments and of course will take time to reflect upon some of the points raised. We always value feedback from our parents and our children – please never hesitate to inform us of any concerns you may have. We love receiving your positive comments too!

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance last week was 96.1% and since the beginning of term is 94.6%

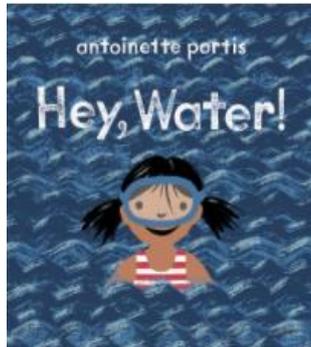
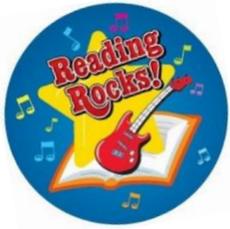


Changed your email or telephone number? Let us know ASAP as this is our main form of communication.

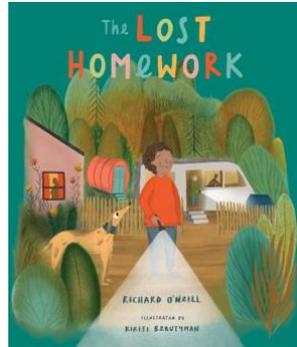


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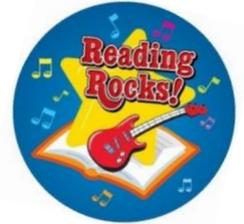
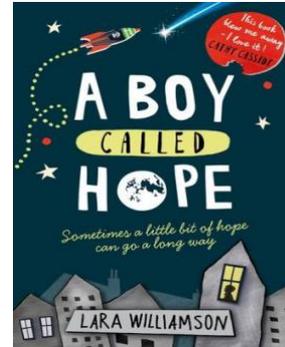
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COVID-19 - UPDATES

General Public Updates from the Government:

The following information has been taken from the COVID-19 RESPONSE: LIVING WITH COVID-19 document, published on 21st February 2022 by the Cabinet Office.

From 24 February the Government will:

- Remove the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days.
- No longer ask fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 to test daily for 7 days, and remove the legal requirement for close contacts who are not fully vaccinated to self-isolate.
- End routine contact tracing. Contacts will no longer be required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests.



What this means for our school:

As we have done throughout the pandemic, our school will follow the Government's position on responding to the virus.

Does my child have to isolate if he/she tests positive for COVID-19? Although it is no longer a requirement (from 24th February) to self-isolate following a positive test result, it is still advised that anyone with COVID-19 remain at home for a period of six days (the day the symptoms began plus five further days). We would ask that, in the event of a positive result for your child, you inform the **school office** as soon as possible and follow the advice above.

If any other member of the household has symptoms of, or tests positive for, COVID-19, the rest of the household (including children over 5) can carry on as 'normal' – this includes coming to school.

Will my child be given home learning if they are self-isolating with COVID-19? Class teachers will provide home learning via Class Dojo/Tapestry to children who are at home. We appreciate your support in helping your child to access their remote learning, assuming they are well enough to complete the work. For more information about our remote learning offer, please visit our website.

Will the School retain any measures to avoid an outbreak of COVID-19? Yes, we will continue with our regular handwashing, especially before and after eating and will continue to keep our classrooms well ventilated.





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School Calendar!

March	
1	Shrove Tuesday a.k.a. Pancake Day St. David's Day
2	Ash Wednesday – the first day of Lent
3	World Book Day Theme: Alice in Wonderland Non-uniform day: Dress as your favourite character from the book and bring your favourite book
10	Hudson Class trip to Hunstanton
11	Year 6 Equine Learning Session
14-18	Science Week & Red Nose merchandise for sale in school between 8:40-8:50 daily (Red Noses £1.50 and pin badges £1)
17	St Patrick's Day
18	Red Nose Day Theme: Superheros Non-uniform day: Dress up as your favourite real-life or fantasy hero! (£1 donation – all proceeds to Comic Relief)
23	Y2 Cricket Festival at Neale Wade Academy
27	Mothering Sunday
29	Easter Service and Celebration Assembly in Church (9:15-10:15 am)
31	Year 3, 4, 5 Easter Production (1:30pm and 6:00pm)
April	
1	Last day of term
17	Easter Sunday
18	Bank holiday – no school
19	Back to school - first day of Summer term
May	
9-12	Year 6 SATS week

Thank you for your continued support!

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