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St. Augustine's Primary School Newsletter 1 - 16th October 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all keeping well. Thank you for your continued support in the new arrangements that are in place during this time. Many children have had to isolate at home for periods of time during the term so far which I know is very hard when they have only just returned to school. The Government has asked all schools to be ready for children to continue learning at home if they are in this situation. To this end staff are being trained on the use of new software in school that will improve the provision of home learning should it be necessary. What we have also been asked to do in preparation for the possibility of home learning, is find out if all children have access to the appropriate equipment to carry out home learning online. At the end of the newsletter there is a slip to complete that will help us do this. Please can you complete this to help us make the right provision for all of our children.

Mrs Forrest
Headteacher

COVID

When you are dropping off your child at the start of the day or collecting at the end of the day, we ask that you wear a face covering especially when handing children over to staff. Some parents have raised concerns regarding so many parents not wearing face coverings at the school gates.

Can we please ask that you do not remain at the school gates socialising, but move away leaving as much space and distance for the next children to be dropped off.

Please take care when driving down Heathcote street and don't park on the double yellow lines. When collecting your child from the Church, please come to the step to collect them as we don't want children walking across the carpark without the supervision of an adult. Thank you for your co-operation

START AND FINISH TIMES

Children must arrive at school at their allocated start time, times have been staggered so the year bubbles are arriving and leaving school separately. If you are late arriving, you will have to stand away from the school gates until 9:30am when the rest of the year bubbles are in school.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

For your information we have attached Appendix B of Attendance Policy to this newsletter. A full copy of the policy is available to read on our website.

COUNSELLING SESSIONS

Do you feel that your child would benefit from some counselling sessions in school? There will be a few places available after half term. If you are interested please email your details to Mrs Morgan at

jmorgan@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk

e-mail: headteacher@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk or admin@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk school website: www.staugustinesprimary.net

CHANGE OF MEAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please remember that we need at least 1 weeks' notice if your child is changing from school meals to packed lunches or vice versa. We have had children swapping without informing the office.

NUTS IN SCHOOL

Could we please ask that you do not put nuts or any foods items which contain nuts or traces of nuts into your child's lunch box i.e. Snicker bars, Nutella spread etc.

We have a number of pupils who have severe nut allergies and have noticed this week that a lot of children are having sandwiches with spread on them. As we are unable to establish if the children have either chocolate or a nut spread, for the safety of the pupils with nut allergies we ask that you do not send your child in with sandwiches which contain chocolate spread. Food allergies are very difficult to understand if you do not live with them, we have a responsibility within school to ensure that children in our care stay safe. Allergic reactions can be triggered by touching surfaces such as a computer keyboards, books or a table top if these things have previously been used by someone who had eaten nut products.

Visit the www.allergyinschools.co.uk for more information). Many thanks for your co-operation.

REMINDER

Children should only wear stud earrings to school, these will need to be removed by the child or covered with microtape (provided by the school) by the child for PE lessons. Thank you.

MATHS HOMEWORK UPDATE

For the 2020-2021 school year, children will be assigned either NumBots (play.numbots.com) or TT Rock Stars (ttrockstars.com) for homework instead of Mathletics. TT Rock Stars practises multiplication and division facts while NumBots helps children learn their number facts. Check your child's reading diary or curriculum overview sheet (sent home by your child's teacher each half term) to see what is expected of your child each week. Please note that homework is set each Thursday. If you anticipate having trouble accessing the sites, please let your child's teacher know.

QUERIES AND INFORMATION

If any parents have any questions, queries or require information please send your email to admin@st-augustines.coventry.co.uk where we will deal with your query.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Y3L, Mrs Lovelock's class, for achieving **100%** attendance this week - Well done to you all!

HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2020- 2021 - SEE OUR WEBSITE

FORTHCOMING HOLIDAYS:

Autumn Half Term - Saturday 24th October to Sunday 1st November 2020



A Happy Belated Birthday to these children who all celebrated their birthdays in September. We hope that you had a lovely day ☺

Amelia / R2	Skye / Y5	Daniella / Y1	Keeley-Maii	Jamie / Y3
Maja / Y2	Jathusha	Jack / Y6	Maria	Orla
Martin	Brandon	Luke	Dorothy	Abdulrhaman
Thamilpriyan	Marcel	Alicja /Y6	Maja / Y4	Jakub
Nicolas	Natalia	Matthew	Jakub / Y5	Bonnie
Jason	Oliwia / Y3	Gabriel	Brian	Penny
Conor	Callum	Kayden-Scott	Faith	Ada
Jakub / Y2	Tommy	Kieran-Tod	Theo	Amelia / Y4
Lily / Y4	Keira	Edurance	Elisa	
Knoll	Piotr	Maisey		



Happy Birthday to these children who have had their birthdays this month Knoll, Piotr, Maisey and Wiktorja / Y5

REPLY SLIP:

Child's name Class

- My child **has** access to the internet for home learning online
- My child **does not** have access to the internet for home learning online

Parent / Guardian Signature Date