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Doors open 8.40
Registration is 8.55

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Dear Parents/Carers

Hopefully everyone managed to enjoy the half term break, although the weather could have been better. The children have come in in their usual bouncy way, and are happily getting on as normal. Consistency at their age is important to their well-being, so a big thank you all so much for maintaining such a high level of attendance - lots of 100%'s at the moment.

Thank you!



A huge thank you to our wonderful HSA and to you all for the amazing Christmas Hamper donations you sent in on Mufti Day. Tracey and Nick Barber collected all of the boxes loaded with so many wonderful gifts. Charlotte Cook, our new HSA Chairperson, has let me know they will be making up some super hampers for our Christmas raffle.

Calendar dates

INSET days for 2020/2021

18th Dec, 12th & 22nd Feb, 25th June

4TH Dec – Flu immunisation

5th Dec – Bonfire Night lunch menu

17th Dec – Last full day of term

18th Dec – INSET day school closure

4th Jan – First day of Spring Term

PE kit

Thank you so much to those who have provided your child with outside PE wear. As the weather turns **colder**, please help your child stay warm.



Breakfast Club

Due to a lower uptake, we will be increasing the cost of breakfast club/childcare provision to £3.50 as from January 2021. The price has been static for some years now and we are currently running at a loss. Thank you for your understanding.



As we are unable to invite you all in for our curriculum presentations, can I please remind you all that Y1/Y2 Reading PowerPoint is in Whole School Story on Class Dojo, and YR's Reading PowerPoint is in Willow/Elm's Class Dojo. Please take the time to watch them and come back to teachers with any questions.

We have had great feedback regards the way we are using Class Dojo and the personal touch it has added to teacher pupil communication. Can we also remind parents that this is a link between parents and children. We have had a couple of children uploading random photographs of themselves.

Thank you again for your support.

New Covid Guidelines

Following the Government's latest lockdown procedures, can I please remind everyone to stay vigilant and socially aware of other's safety. Staff are keen to welcome the children into school each day, and as per our previous messages, can I ask that individual extended conversations are carried out through Class Dojo with the class teacher, or a phone request at the end of the day. We completely understand that short messages are necessary, but can these always happen at the **requisite safe distance** between you and staff, or indeed wear a mask. It is good to be able to smile at the children in the mornings and for them to see our faces, but distance must be maintained. Some teachers may choose to wear a face covering at the gate for drop and collection where it gets busy and parents want to talk to them. I would like to reassure you that we do not wear masks in school, as per government guidelines. Please can I reiterate that **children must stay by their parent's side at all times**. We have had a few complaints from other parents that children are running around with parents not enforcing our rules.



A special Bonfire Night menu is being served this Thursday 5th. This will be a meat or vegetarian hotdog in a roll, accompanied by seasonal veg and potato wedges. The pudding will be chocolate cake. Can I also congratulate our amazing chef Ben and his team Sarah and Lucy for winning 'School of the Week' for their tasty food.



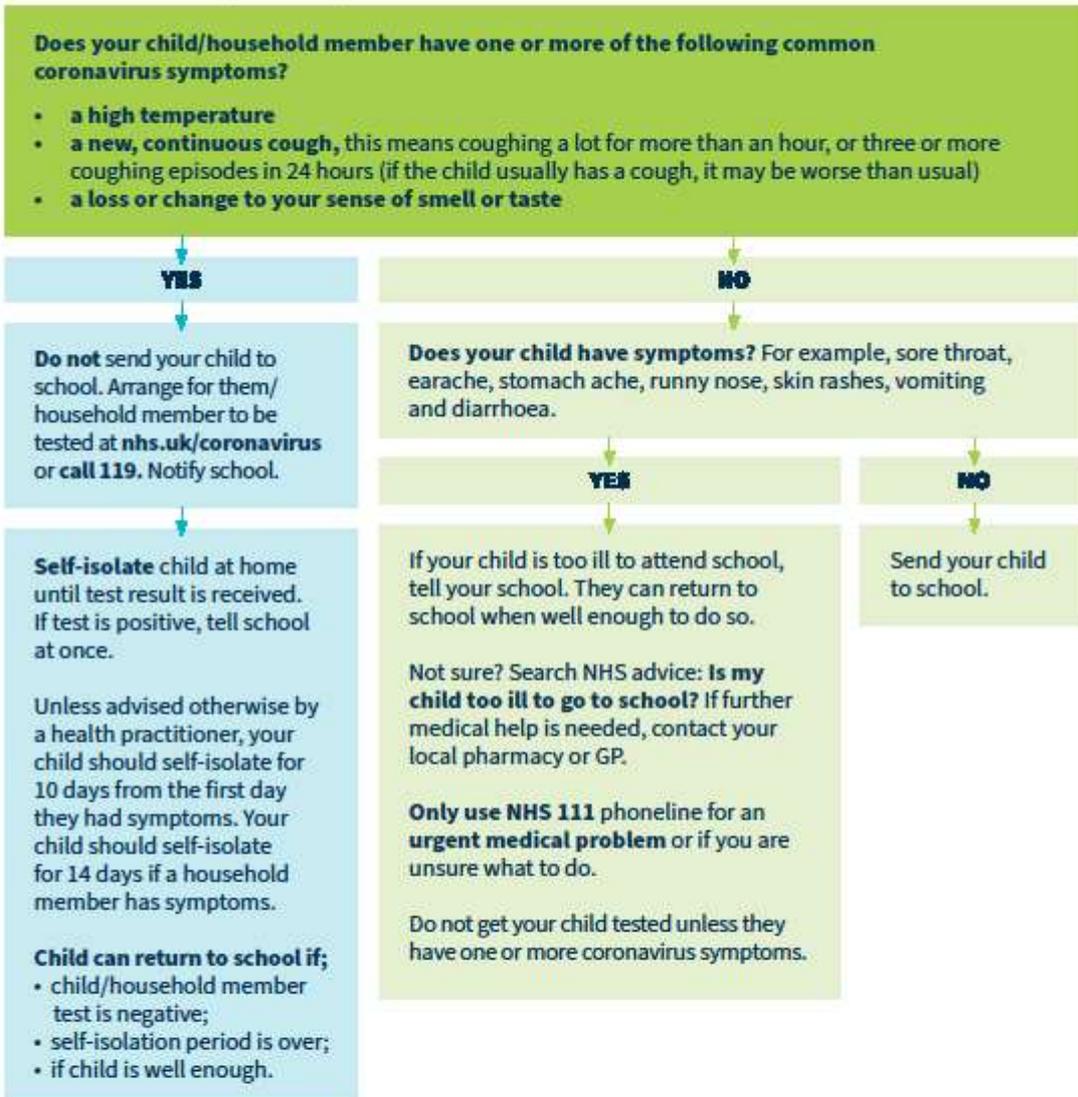
Please find attached below a HCC check sheet of when to/not to send your child to school. Thank you again for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jayne Broach, Headteacher

When to send your child to school

This flow chart may not cover all scenarios. Please refer to detailed guidance at nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus



Further guidance and help

Search nhs.uk/coronavirus for guidance on what your test result means and on self-isolation.

Hampshire Helpline if you feel you need support to self-isolate: **0333 370 4000**