



Monday 25 January 2021

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

We've made to the half way point in this lockdown, but I know each week is getting more difficult for everyone. If you are struggling to keep your child motivated with remote learning, please let us know on Class Dojo. However, some of the following ideas might help:

- Use a visual timetable so the children know what is happening and when during the day.
- Inform your child of their next task and let them know how long they have to complete it. You could possibly use a timer / countdown to help them visually.
- After each completed learning activity, have a non-learning activity ready, eg. a game; play with lego; some colouring; a snack. You will know what non-learning activity your child will like!
- Start a reward chart, and give a sticker or draw a smiley face for every piece of learning completed. Let your child know how many rewards they need every day or week to receive a larger reward.

Hopefully having the weekend to play outside in the snow brought a smile your faces! I know the teachers would love to see any photos of your children playing in the snow!

The letters section on our school website continues to be updated with letters received from Lincolnshire County Council or the Government, should you wish to view any.

I hope you all continue to stay safe at home. If any of you need anything please send a message on Class Dojo to the appropriate member of staff. We will endeavour to reply to your messages as quickly as we can during working hours.

Mrs Hodson

Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals (this is different to the Universal Infant Free School Meals for every child in EYFS, Y1 & Y2) you will receive a £15 voucher to spend in a supermarket every week during school closure, including the half term break.

If you think you might be eligible for free school meals, please use the following link to apply:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Childcare bookings

Thank you for your understanding with the closure of the Y1/2 bubble last week. Both bubbles will be open again tomorrow for those who have booked places.

We hope to receive a delivery of the staff lateral flow tests this week. The guidance is for staff to take a test twice a week during their week in school. Due to the requirement for these tests to be taken in a morning, if a member of staff tests positive, the bubble will be closed immediately. I appreciate that this is short notice for a bubble closure, however this is the guidance we have to follow. Staff in school will test every Monday and Thursday mornings.

Recent scientific advice shows that children and adults are at greater risk of transmission in group and crowd situations, so we continue to urge you to follow this advice and only book a childcare place when absolutely necessary.