

Friday 18th September 2020

Dear parents/carers,

We have had a wonderful week in school. The children are all settled and are enjoying their learning.

Home Learning

Thank you very much to everyone who has sent in copies of their home learning folders completed during lockdown. The teachers are looking forward to celebrating this work with the children next week. Do please let us know if you would like your folders returned and we will of course arrange this for you.

Reading Books and Home Sharer Books

Thank you for your support in following our new reading book and home sharer book arrangement, this is working well. As a reminder, the reading book and home sharer book will go home with each child on a Monday and will stay home for the child/parent to read on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening. On Friday, the home sharer book and reading book must be brought to school to be placed in a classroom quarantine box for 72 hours. On the following Monday, teachers/TA's will check home sharer books to ensure that children have read and will change the reading book, if necessary. Children will continue to read in school every day and will be given an additional reading book at their level for classroom use.

Class Autumn Term Letter

For years 1 to 6 inclusive, your child/children's class teacher will be sending home today a letter detailing the topics and learning which will be covered in their class for the autumn term. We hope that you find this letter useful and that it will enable you to support your child/children's learning at home.

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Social Distancing

Thank you for your ongoing support before and after school in adhering to our social distancing measures. We are constantly reviewing these plans and will amend as necessary. Please note this week's amendment with a slight change to drop off/collection procedures for Year R children. Parents/carers of Year R only to use the top gate and to queue socially distanced back up the hill as close into the school hedge/wall as you can to please to allow other pedestrians to use the pavement safely. Year 6 children should now enter the school site at the bottom of the car park and walk, socially distanced to the main reception door. There is bunting being used to socially distance Year R and Year 6. Thank you for your support.

Please could I kindly ask all parents/carers to leave a clear pathway at the bottom of the car park to allow the year 6 children to socially distance as they enter and exit the school site, thank you.

Year R

This week all of year R children have come together as a class for the first time! They have settled brilliantly and made a really positive start to their time at Connor Downs Academy.



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Year 5

Year 5 have been working collaboratively to remind themselves of our Good To Be Green rewards system.



School Dinners

Next week we are delighted to be able to bring hot meals back to school. The menu for the Autumn Term has been emailed to all parents alongside this letter. The menu will be uploaded to ParentPay by the end of the day to allow parents/carers to return to the parental booking system previously used prior to lockdown.

For all those parents/carers of the new reception children and the other new children that have joined us this term in other year groups, your child/children will have come home with a ParentPay activation letter with your unique login details, as well as a sheet detailing how to book your child's meal.

Bookings are available each day until midnight for the following day. Each class teacher will have a list of all dinner bookings on a daily basis and they will ensure that every child, if they have not booked a meal, has brought a packed lunch into school. For any child without a booked school lunch or a home packed lunch the class TA will ring parents/carers to confirm if they will require a school lunch or if the parent/carer will be able to drop a home packed lunch into school. If a school lunch is required, payment must be made on the day via ParentPay for all those children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who are not eligible for free school meals/pupil premium. Children in years R, 1, 2 and 3 are automatically entitled to universal free school meals.

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Reporting Positive COVID-19 Test (out of hours)

If you receive a positive COVID-19 test, in the first instance please contact the school office by phone. If the office is closed, please complete the form at the link below to report a positive test.

<http://www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus>

Attendance Our school target for attendance is 96%		
1 st Place	Year R	98.0%

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eddy
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