



Life in all its fullness

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**PARENT/CARER'S NEWSLETTER**

Welcome to this week's roundup – and remember you can also keep up to date at [www.milton.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.milton.cambs.sch.uk)

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Covid Updates**

**Rules on Self Isolation? – A Quick Guide for Parents**

|  | <b>If the person has any of the <u>Covid-19 symptoms</u> (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste) and is awaiting a test result</b>  | <b>If the person has <u>tested positive</u> for Covid-19</b>  |
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| <b>The <u>individual person</u></b>  | <p>Must self-isolate until the test result is received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If this is positive, see right hand column.</li> <li>• If negative, the individual may end their self-isolation if they are well, no one in their household or support bubble has symptoms and they have not been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test &amp; Trace.</li> </ul> | <p>Must self-isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms and until there is no high temperature.</p>   |
| <b>The person's <u>household</u></b>   | <p>Must self-isolate until the test result is received.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If this is positive, see right hand column</li> <li>• If negative, the household may end their self-isolation if no one has symptoms and they have not been asked to self-isolate by NHS Test &amp; Trace.</li> </ul>   | <p>Must self-isolate for 14 days from the start of their symptoms, or from the date of the positive test taken (if the individual has no symptoms). If any member of the household develops symptoms at any point during the 14 days, they must self-isolate for 10 days from the start of their symptoms and get tested.</p> |
| <b>The person's <u>contacts</u></b><br>(see below for details of who a contact is) | <p>They do not need to self-isolate unless they develop symptoms or the person tests positive.</p>   | <p>Must self-isolate for 14 days from the last contact with the confirmed case. If they develop symptoms during the 14 days, they must self-isolate for 10 days from the start of their symptoms and get tested.</p>  |

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| <b>The households of the person's contacts</b> | Do not need to self-isolate unless the Contact develops symptoms. | Do not need to self-isolate unless the Contact develops symptoms. |
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In order to minimise the numbers of adults on the site around pick up times, please could we request that families only send one person to collect a child.

### **Tapestry Reminder**

We have chosen Tapestry to provide our online learning in the event that we have to shut down any bubbles and move over to distance learning, and we plan to develop it as a platform for parental communication as it rolls out. Many of you will remember it when it was used as an online system of recording your child's learning in Foundation. It is now available for all year groups across the school. As a starting point we have posted our curriculum letters, newsletters and homework on it to give us all a first experience of using the system. Initially teachers will only respond to communications via Tapestry once a week during their PPA (planning slots) so any urgent communication should still come through the office. Tapestry is used differently in the foundation stage curriculum and parental contact is more frequent, so as you move into KS1 this will be a change. Both children should have a permission form.

If both parents want to have access to Tapestry this needs to be signed up for individually.

Please activate your accounts! If we switch to online learning this will need to have been done in order for you to use the system.

### **Parent consultations**

We are thinking ahead to the organisation of these later on this half term. As we cannot meet face to face we are thinking of offering zoom consultations with you, or telephone calls if you do not have the facilities for this. Information will come from the office about booking online slots via pupil asset later.

### **Birthdays**

As children cannot bring in birthday treats for their peers as was often the case previously, we thought it might be nice for children to have their birthdays marked in a different way in school this year. Children on their birthday can choose to wear non-school uniform on their special day. If this falls on a weekend, they could wear no uniform on the Friday or Monday. If children have had their birthdays already this term, then they too can choose a date to make up for this.

### **School Dinners**

Chartwell's are unable to do the **packed lunch** option currently due to current conditions. They are hoping to be able to offer it once things 'go back to normal'.

### **Harvest Festival (6<sup>th</sup> October)**

We will be celebrating harvest festival in our bubbles in school this year. It is sad that we cannot make our usual stroll down to the Church together. Instead of food donations, we would like to support a charity who work in Africa called Send A Cow.

"Send a Cow doesn't impose solutions, we help grow them from within. That's why they work. Our African-designed solutions were developed with, and for, the communities we support. Families get back the skills and confidence they need to get the most from their land. Families can grow enough food, earn a living and go after their dreams.

And because the families we work with pass on what they know, success quickly multiplies, from family to family, community to community, generation to generation.

Working across six African countries, we speak many languages. But in all of them, Send a Cow has come to mean a better future”

<https://sendacow.org/>

Depending on how much money we donate we could help a village plant a mandala garden, or buy the village a cow for milking.

Yours sincerely,  
*Mrs Anna Reeder*