

# High Littleton Church of England Primary School 18th September 2020

"Valuing all God's children within an inclusive community."



## We're back!

As we come to the end of the second full week at school, I would like to extend a warm welcome back to you all. I would also like to welcome all the new Reception children and their families to High Littleton Primary School. I have no doubt that your time at High Littleton will be a happy one. With our new children joining us, the number on roll has increased to 177 children who currently attend the school.

May I also take this opportunity to thank you all for the way that you have responded to our requests around the staggered start and finish times. We are now into a good routine with all the children arriving at their allocated time, which obviously reduces the congestion around the front of the school. If you have more than one child at school, please do arrive at your youngest child's drop-off time. Please can I remind you that we politely request that you wear a face mask upon entering our reception area. Alternatively, please do email the school office@highlittletonschool.com if you have any questions/queries.

I've been really pleased during these first two weeks to walk around the school and to see that the children have settled so well into their new routines. For those of you who are new to the school, this newsletter is published every fortnight.

As you will have seen in Alun Williams (CEO, Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership) letter, a flowchart has been published to help you as parents decide on whether your child should attend school or not if they feel unwell. I have also attached the flowchart within this newsletter as it seems to be a quick and easy reference point should you be concerned about your child's attendance in school.

If your child is in Year 6, they will be bringing home with them their secondary transfer forms so that you can begin the process of choosing a secondary school for your child.

For all children, we will be sending home a Data Collection sheet which we require you to check and amend, before returning it to school for our records.

We are in the process of deciding upon how we organise our Open Morning for prospective parents as well as our Autumn Parents' Evenings. Once we have decided how to proceed, we will of course let you know.



## We love school...



## **Information for New Parents**

- ✓ The 'Parent Calendar' is on the home page of the website and is regularly updated. This information includes clubs dates, trips, Celebration Service dates and other relevant information. Copy letters are also available to view on the website under 'Letters/Newsletters'.
- ✓ We try to minimise the amount of paperwork that is sent home in book bags, therefore it is important to regularly check your emails to keep up-to-date with necessary information.
- ✓ ParentPay log on details have been sent home. For your information, all trips are paid for via this system.
- ✓ We also ask that a suitable PE kit, coat and water bottle are kept in school at all times.
- ✓ If your child is poorly and unable to attend school, it is important that a telephone call is made to the school to record their absence. Please telephone every day they are absent from school.
- ✓ A telephone call to the office before 9.10am is required if you know your child is going to be late to school for any reason.
- ✓ Please remember that all KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals and we like to encourage children to have a hot school meal.

## **Behaviour Policy**

We are extremely proud of the children who attend High Littleton Church of England Primary School. Visitors to school often comment about the positive behaviour of the children and that they are a credit to the school. Our Behaviour Management System follows six simple Golden Rules.

Our whole school approach to behaviour includes all children, all staff and all parents. These rules will be followed in class, during lunchtime, in the playground, during Collective Worship and extra-curricular clubs as well as at the beginning and at the end of the school day.

#### **Golden Rules**

The following rules will be displayed around the school.

- 1. We listen; we don't interrupt.
- 2. We look after property; we don't damage things.
- 3. We are gentle; we don't hurt others.
- 4. We work hard, we don't waste time.
- 5. We are honest; we don't cover up the truth.
- 6. We are kind and helpful; we don't hurt anybody's feelings.



#### **Sanctions**

Sanction 1: Yellow card (name recorded)

Sanction 2: Red Card (name recorded)

Sanction 3: Sent to Key Stage Leader or Deputy Headteacher

Sanction 4: Sent to Headteacher

Sanction 5: Letter home to parents

Sanction 6: Parents to come into school

Sanction 7: Exclusion at the discretion of the Headteacher

### **Rewards**

#### Work Together Jar

At the discretion of the staff, if they feel a child or a class has followed the Golden Rules they will be awarded a marble to place in a jar. The idea is that each class decide on how many marbles they can collect during the term. At the end of the term, if they have achieved their goal, the class will be awarded a treat. This reinforces the idea of teamwork and the need to follow the Golden Rules if they are to be rewarded.

#### Mr Griffith's Tea Party

At the end of each term, two children from each class will be invited to attend a tea party hosted by Mr Griffith. The decision will be based on which children have been following the Golden Rules. Each child will receive an invitation in the post from Mr Griffith a week before the party takes place. It is also a lovely opportunity for Mr Griffith to spend some quality time with the children!

Please can I remind you that we are NUT FREE SCHOOL. Please can you also ensure you do not provide SESAME items. We are asking all parents to bear this in mind when sending lunches and snacks to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Christian Values**













### Our Christian Values .....

At High Littleton Church of England Primary School our Christian values are based on the teachings of Jesus Christ. These values are embedded in the daily life of the school and have a significant impact on the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all members of the school community.













### **Staff Welcome**

As this is the first newsletter of the new academic year, it is appropriate to welcome three new members of staff to our team. Firstly, Miss Rachael Cunningham has moved from her school in Coventry to be with us as our new teacher in Fox Class. Secondly, Mr Jason Crook has taken up his position as our new caretaker whilst Miss Laura Pecchia has joined our EYFS team as our new Teaching Assistant. Welcome one and all. Finally, we are pleased to see Miss Evans continue with us in her new role in supporting those children who need to catch-up following prolonged absences from school during lockdown.

# If my child is ill, should I send them into school?

YES

Would you have kept your child off school before Covid?

NO

Keep your child off school

Keep your child off school.

Your child and
HOUSEHOLD must ALL
isolate until you have YES
a TEST result.

TO ARRANGE A SWAB CLICK HERE (please note your GP cannot arrange the swab)

If you do not have internet access, then dial 119

FULL TEST & TRACE INFO

YFS

Contact your GP, visit <a href="https://111.nhs.uk/">https://111.nhs.uk/</a> or call NHS 111

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Do they have ANY ONE of?

- ☐ A high fever (over 37.8°c as measured with a thermometer)
- ☐ A new continuous cough (persistent & regular cough)
- Loss or change of taste or smell

NO

Does your child have any underlying health condition that means

- They are normally offered a flu vaccine
- They were classified as high risk for shielding?

NO

Kids who are otherwise well

- Runny noses
- Sore throat without high fever
- Simple colds
- Can go to school as usual

### **School Dinners**

Please can we remind you that dinners are £2.60 and need to be paid in <u>advance</u> via ParentPay. KS1 children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Did you know that for all children in KS1 and KS2, if you receive any of the benefits listed below, you can <u>also</u> register with the Free School Meal Team?

Your registration could attract Pupil Premium funding for our school of £1,320.

Please contact the Free School Meals Team on 01225 394317 to check your eligibility. All that is needed is your National Insurance Number and date of birth.

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit Run-on which is only paid for 4 weeks after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
   Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

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Please check out the website. Click on the link below: www.highlittletonschool.com

### **Dates for your Diaries 2020 - 2021**

Please click on the link below to take you to the 'Diary Dates' page and scroll down to see Club dates!

'Diary Dates/Clubs'

High Littleton Primary School is committed to working towards race equality, promoting positive approaches to difference and opposing all forms of racial prejudice and discrimination. Language or behaviour, which is racist or potentially damaging to any ethnic or racial group, is not tolerated and will always be challenged. We recognise that British society is made up of people from many different racial, cultural, linguistic and religious backgrounds and that all pupils must be fully prepared to live in such a diverse society.