



School Update

Following the Government's announcement earlier this week about the further relaxing of current Covid-19 rules and guidelines for our society, schools were issued with updated guidance.

This guidance was digested in depth by the school, and the Aspire Health and Safety team. The conclusion reached was sadly that there is presently no change to our established procedures in school. The guidance re-affirms the need to continue to follow the practices we have implemented during the year. This is as disappointing for us as it is for you as parents and most importantly for the children, however, our leading priority must be the safety of the children and the community.

Hopefully, conditions will allow for the guidance to alter following the next review date of June 21st allowing for our school to become more flexible and open with our arrangements. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Book Token Competition

Please click on the link below to enter the competition to provide our school with the chance to win £5000 of books. If you can, share the link across your families too. Thank you.

[Win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for your school](#)

Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone for who arranged, remained patient with the technology, and attended a meeting this week with your child's teacher. The teacher's report that many positive chats took place over the week either by phone or via Teams,

FOSS (Friends Of Shortlanesend School) - Raffle

FOSS are busy arranging the tickets for the raffle. A huge thank you to those parents and families who have kindly donated prizes – your generosity is very much appreciated.

The tickets will be issued shortly ready for you to purchase to be in with a chance to win some lovely prizes and to support our school. Thank you.

Kenwyn Church

Kenwyn Church are holding an all-age service on 30th May. Children are invited to bring any transforming toys to the event if they wish.

Please contact Chris Parsons vicarkenstallen@gmail.com 01872 263 015 by 27th May if you would like to attend.



Headlice

We have received reports of headlice appearing in some children's hair, this tends to happen as the weather gets warmer. Please check your child's hair and treat if needed. Thank you.

Summer Term Dates - Reminder

We break for half term on **Friday 28th May**. We return to school on **Tuesday 8th June**. The final day of the term and the year will be **Friday 23rd July** (this day will finish at **1:30**).

Non Pupil Days/Term Dates 2021-22

We have set our INSET (Non pupil) Days for the next academic year as:

Monday 6th September 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Friday 18th February 2022

Monday 25th July 2022

Tuesday 26th July 2022

Platinum Jubilee - Reminder

Due to the extra bank holiday being added next June for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, all schools must add an additional closure day within the 2021/22 academic calendar. We have decided on **Monday 6th June 2022** as our additional closure date. Therefore, our school will reopen on Tuesday 7th June following the summer bank holiday.

Our Term Dates for 2021-22 are:

Autumn Term:

Tuesday 7th September 2021 – Friday 17th December 2022
(Half-term: 25th – 29th October)

Spring Term:

Wednesday 5th January 2022 – Friday 8th April 2022
(Half-term: 21st – 25th February)

Summer Term:

Monday 25th April 2022 – Friday 22nd July 2022
(Half-term: 30th May – 6th June – return to school on **Tuesday 7th June**)

Drop-off and collection arrangements – Reminder

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Arrival Time</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>Departure Time</u>	<u>Where?</u>
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5 – Mr Easter	8:30-8:40	Corridor – Door nearest classroom	3:00	Corridor – Door nearest classroom
4 – Miss Eddison	8:30-8:40	Classroom - Side door	3:00	Classroom - Side door
3 – Mrs Ashley	8:40-8:50	Class Door	3:10	Class Door
2 – Miss Adler	8:40-8:50	Class Door	3:10	Class Door
1 – Mrs Lewis/Mrs Stanhope	8:50	Through outside area	3:10	Playground

- Staggered drop off and collection times based on class
- 1-way directional system
- An adult will be at the main gate entrance welcoming the children and supporting with the direction of movement.
- **One adult per family** will accompany their child – unfortunately, no parent or carer will be able to enter the building
- **No child or adult should gather on the school site at any time**
- Children will enter their classrooms via their external classroom door and will immediately wash their hands or use hand sanitizer.
- For collection, the gates will be open at 14:55. Do not to arrive before 14:55 as this would result in congestion
- Siblings to be dropped off/collected at earliest time
- To support the safe environment, **parents must adhere to the collection and drop off times**

NHS Advice – A reminder

The NHS reports that the three main symptoms of Corona Virus to be watchful for are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus, get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you



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get the test result – only leave your home to have a test. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.

Have a restful weekend.