# Tune in on Tuesday

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#### Diary Dates

Diary dates for the Autumn Term are shown below and will be included and updated on every newsletter.

Monday 19.10.2020	Proposed Parents' Evening via TEAMS 3.30-6.00		
Thursday 22.10.2020	Proposed Parents' Evening via TEAMS 4.30-7.00		
23.10.2020	School finishes 3.15		
w.c. 26.10.2020	Half term begins		
02.11.2020 (Mon)	Children return		

INSET Days yet to be set = 2 days

#### Extra-curricular activities

Activities start the week Monday 9th September

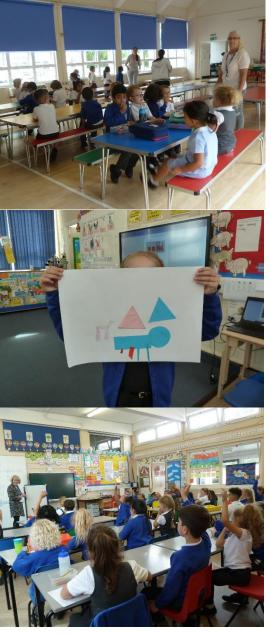
Monday		•	
Tuesday	Rounders	Y5 & Y6	12.30 - 1.00
	Multi-skills	Y3 & Y4	3.15-4.15
Wednesday	Running	Y3 & Y4	12.30 – 1.00
	Multi-skills	Y1 &Y2	3.15-4.15
Friday	Penalty Shoot- out	KS2	12.30-1.00

Children on staggered exit times will wait in their classrooms until 3.15 and be supervised by staff.

This term we will not be charging for extracurricular activities after school. We are aware that some families are in difficult financial circumstances and we would like to ensure that all children have access to the Sports Coaches that work in school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please be patient if your child does not have a place this half term then they will be prioritised for next half term.

#### It's great to have them back!

The sound of happy children playing with their friends on the playground/field is back again - thank goodness. We have missed them all.



# Guidance on what to do if your child is ill.

At this time of year we are aware that children can be ill due to the common cold, sickness sore throat etc. This is not to say they all have Covid-19 or need a test. You would normally make a judgement and discuss with the staff at school if you are not sure this remains the system as we move into Autumn Term. The DfE have asked us to share the following information which the school will follow:

'To ensure we identify those with coronavirus while avoiding a huge increase in demand for tests from people without coronavirus symptoms, we ask that pupils, students and staff who feel unwell, that they get tested if:

- they develop one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms:
  - a high temperature
  - a new, continuous cough
  - the loss or change of their sense of taste or smell, or
- they are recommended to get tested by a healthcare provider (e.g. GP or nurse)

If a pupil, student or staff member develops one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms described above, only they should be tested. There is no need for their households to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic. Unless a pupil, student or staff member has one of the three main coronavirus symptoms, they should only be tested if instructed otherwise by the local authority, health protection team or their GP. As schools and colleges across England return,

pupils and students may feel unwell for example with a sore throat, stomach upset or a headache. These pupils and students don't need to book a test but may need to stay off school or college and seek medical advice through their GP or pharmacist as usual.'

#### Attendance

If your child has been asked to shield by health professionals (G.P. or Consultant) then please contact the school. Please forward the shielding letter so that we can update our records. We will continue to follow Government guidance regarding attendance. More details to follow.

## Safeguarding

Our safeguarding team are always on hand to provide support and advice for families who may be experiencing difficulties. We can signpost services and facilities that may be able to help. Safeguarding Team as follows:

Mrs C Browne - HT Mrs J Harris - Acting DHT Mrs E Haughey - Senior Leader

Mrs R Ford - Senior Leader
Mr B Trew - Senior Leader
Miss S McNiff - Nursery Manager
Miss T Gibbs - Assistant Nursery Manager
Dave Grove - Governor Safeguarding Lead

### Family updates

It has been great to catch up with some families over the telephone in recent weeks. We are aware that many of our families have had some difficult times over the past few

months and have needed to share personal information with us. Please contact the school if you need to update us on any changes that may have occurred that we may need to know about. All discussions will be handled in strictest confidence by myself or Jane Harris (Acting DHT).

## Snack bar

The snack bar facility is not available at the moment. If your child requires a snack then please send them in with a healthy snack for breaktime.

EYFS, Yr1 and Yr 2 will have their usual free fruit available throughout the day.

#### Nursery Places

Our Nursery is very popular and places fill up very quickly - usually a year in advance of the children starting. Please be aware if you have young children at home and would like a nursery place you will need to book them in a year before they are due to start. Please contact Miss McNiff (Nursery Manager) who will be able to help you.

### Physical Activity

Over these next few weeks we will be accessing our outdoor areas more frequently than normal. We will be providing daily exercise for all children and will complete the Daily Mile every day. Your child will need to have their P.E. kit in school and left here for the half term.

KS2 children will need trainers so they can access the field (sometimes it is a little muddy).

KS1 children will need their trainers or the wellingtons.

Reception children will need their wellingtons in every day.

# Inhalers and medical arrangements

Please make sure that your child has an inhaler in school if needed. Most of these were sent home in March/April for home use. Also please inform the office for any other medical updates.

#### **Contacting School**

If you need to speak to myself or a member of staff please contact the office and someone will telephone you back. We are also able to contact parents/carers through TEAMS so if you prefer this then let the office know.

TEAMS/Tapestry will continue to be used to communicate with parents/carers. TEAMS is back online and staff will begin to use this from this week. We are hoping that children will complete their homework through TEAMS to cut down the paperwork moving from school to home. If this is not possible then paper copies will be sent home.