



## Back to More Reading!

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Reading

We have been discussing reading and how to get the children back to reading as much as possible. This is important because reading for pleasure can benefit a child's education, social and cognitive development, their wellbeing, and their mental health.

Every minute counts...If a child reads for 1 minute a day, that will be 180 minutes in a school year, which would be 8,000 words read; if a child reads for 5 minutes each day, that will be 900 minutes in a school year, they would have read 282,000 words; if a child reads for 20 minutes a day this will be 3,600 minutes in a school year and in turn this will be 1,800,000 words. It really does make a difference!

Please could you bring back all the reading books and library books that are at home? All need to be back by next Friday. We will then leave the books until Monday and sort them all out next week. The following week, Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September, please make sure the children have their book bags in school and we will make sure the children have a book to read across the week. Please bring the book bags back on the Friday of that week (if they are finished) and we will again send books home on the Monday. **So the plan, is reading books come home on a Monday and back to school on a Friday.**

In addition please encourage the children to read books from home and access bug club online:

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>.

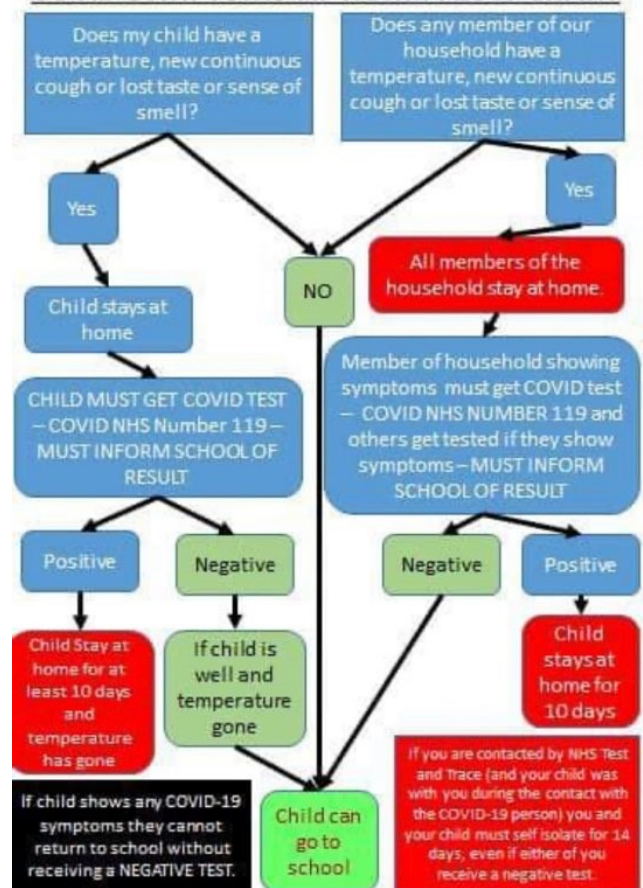
### Covid Update

We really appreciate your support in keeping the children off school if they have a cough or temperature. Here is a flowchart to help you make decisions about whether to send your children into school or not.

Here is another useful link for you to read.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

### COVID SYMPTOMS AT HOME FLOW CHART



## New Reception Classes at lunch

We welcomed our new starters in Reception into the dining room for a nutritious lunch. They coped really well.



They even got a little extra help - the role of a Headteacher is a varied one! Please remember they can have squash with their lunch, however the water bottle for the classroom should only have water in it please. Water is the best liquid for their wellbeing, sugary drinks (including squash) can cause drowsiness when the sugar rush has passed.

Here is what the NHS has to say: "Fizzy drinks, squashes and juice drinks can contain lots of added sugar and very few nutrients, so keep them to a minimum. Children should avoid them



completely. Flavoured water drinks can also contain a surprisingly large amount of sugar, so check the label before you buy. Thank you for your support with this.

**Remember, school dinners are currently free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.**

## Separate Playground Walkway

We have arranged the equipment and bins in the Key Stage 1 playground to form a path for those parents travelling around the school. Please could Year 1 and Year 2 parents drop off and pick up classroom side of the equipment, all other parents please walk around the back (field side) of the equipment. This is so Year 3 and Year 4 parents do not have to weave through Year 1 and Year 2 parents



## Class Newsletters and Topic Overviews

Most classes will be adding their termly newsletter and topic overviews to the website under their class page. Please make sure you have a look if you don't receive a paper copy.

## Out & About

The Out and About group from **1CE** enjoyed walking to the park on Tuesday morning. They talked about their favourite play equipment, stories and their families. As well as playing on the equipment they listened to some of my favourite stories and had fun with the parachute!



On Tuesday afternoon the **3BM** Out and About group learnt how to use a compass and map. They practised orienteering in the local area, using their map reading skills to hunt for markers and create a message.



**RSJ** visited the Patch (our Forest School and nature area at the top of the field) for the first time on Wednesday morning. All of the children loved exploring the mud kitchen, tree house and swings.



**2BC** got to visit the Patch too. On Wednesday afternoon the children had the opportunity to take part in some Phonics activities on the Patch. They hunted for tricky word stones, read and wrote their own Mud Kitchen recipes and ticked off an Eye-spy trail.



Working together for a successful future



# What's for dinner next week?

(Remember all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Free School dinners.)



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Salad	Lemon Turkey stuffed Pitta Pouch with Rice	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fish Fingers with Chips
Summer Vegetable Risotto	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta	Vegetable Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Five Bean Chilli with Rice	Cheese & Potato Wheel With Chips
Sweetcorn Peas	Tomato & Onion Slaw Grated Carrot & Raisin Salad	Carrot Cabbage	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Peas
Banana Chocolate Oaty Square Yoghurt / Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt Station	Marble Cake Yoghurt / Fresh Fruit	Orange Drizzle Cake Yoghurt / Fresh Fruit	Peaches & Ice Cream Yoghurt / Fresh Fruit

Warm Up Wight is an Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funded scheme which offers free insulation (and potentially heating) improvements to qualifying households on the Isle of Wight. Warm Up Wight is being delivered by J & J Crump & Son in partnership with The Warmfront Team. The scheme has met the requirements of the council's Code of Conduct and is therefore supported by the council. J & J Crump & Son state:



"The aim of the scheme will be to offer customers 100% free products. However, if a property is oversized then a small contribution may be required. We will never use any form of pressure selling. We will leave a quote for the customer to look over and decide if they would like to go ahead.

"Before any works are specified, an energy survey will be required for the property to determine what improvements will be effective in reducing energy consumption or making homes warmer to live in. If you would like to request a no-obligation survey please contact [sales@jjcrump.co.uk](mailto:sales@jjcrump.co.uk) or telephone on 0800 783 3127 or 0114 247 1098.

## Positive Quote

*"If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely."* Roald Dahl

**Whole school attendance 94.6%.**

**Remember that good attendance will help your child to succeed at school.**

**This week 6TS achieved 98.8% attendance! Well done.**

Best wishes,

**Samantha Sillito**

**Headteacher**