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## Notices

Dear Parents/Carers,

As another week draws to a close school continues to be working well. I cannot overstate how thankful we are for everyone's support in every aspect of school life as we continue to ensure all our classes are functioning well and children can continue to learn in our school building. Thank you!

I would also like to especially thank all of our families that engaged in our new zoom parents evening on Wednesday. We really valued this opportunity to have a conversation with you about your child upon return to school as we work together to ensure the very best for them.

The children continue to have amazing attitudes towards all aspects of school life and it is so wonderful to see school full of excitement as children are enjoying their learning. I have certainly been enjoying seeing the amazing things they are doing in their classes and around school. Our whole school zoom assemblies are also working well and give us an opportunity to all be together as we consider our value of generosity.

Everyone will be aware that we have been developing our package of remote learning should any class need to move to this. Today, I have sent out a letter to everyone with details of how to activate an online learning platform for your child using **ClassDojo**.

If you have any concerns about this please do not hesitate to get in touch. It would be incredibly beneficial if everyone is able to activate an account and sign up to this. We are asking for user agreements to be sent back into school on Tuesday with homework so your child's class teacher can send some online homework next week using this platform. If anyone has a concern about this please get in touch so we can work with you to resolve it with you.

Alongside zoom and emails, **ClassDojo** will ensure we can continue learning for your child remotely should we need to. As we move forward, we will also be looking to use this platform to support children's classwork and continue to develop ways in which we work with all of our families. The first step on this journey is ensuring everyone is able to activate an account.

Mr D Kennedy  
Headteacher

### Emotional and Mental Well-Being

We understand the challenges that the pandemic has created for everyone.

Emotional and mental well being is important for us all, please click on the website below for support if you are worried about this within your family and do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns.

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/childrens-mental-health/>

### Swimming

Year 4 are due to start swimming next Friday as usual. We understand these are unique times but as with all activities in school swimming has been RA with the relevant bodies and organisations. I will be writing to all Year 4 parents of Monday of how this will be for their children.

### Year 1 Vision Screening

Children in Year 1 will be undergoing a vision screening assessment in school on Monday 5th October. Please note that Vision Screening is an 'opt out' assessment and therefore all children will be screened unless a reply slip is returned. All information regarding this screening has been sent to the Year 1 email page. If you have not received the information or have any questions, please contact Miss Sefton in the school office.

### Secondary School Admissions

Year 6 parents please note the following:-

All applicants can apply now at [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) or call 01772 532109 for more information.

### ***The statutory closing date is 31st October 2020 at 23:59***

You must apply even if your child already has older siblings in the school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

### School Photographs

Tempest Photography are currently scheduled to visit school to take individual and family group photographs on Tuesday 20th October. More information and consent forms regarding Tempest's new contactless proof viewing and ordering service will be coming home

### Dates For Your Diary

Monday 5th October—Year 1 Vision Screening  
Tuesday 20th October—School Photographs  
Monday 26th to Friday 29th October—Half Term  
Tuesday 10th November—Nasal Flu Vaccine



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### Key Messages from Public Health

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, Director of Public Health, has outlined the key messages to all residents of Lancashire. Please click on the icon which is a link to watch a video of Dr Sakthi Karunanithi presenting advice on the guidance and see the guidance below.



Taking into account all the regulations and guidance, our advice to the people and businesses of Lancashire is as follows:

- Do not socialise with anyone outside of your household or support bubble, either in your house, garden or anywhere else.
- Hospitality venues for food and drink must operate table service only.
- Leisure and entertainment venues, including restaurants, pubs and cinemas, must close between 10pm and 5am.
- Only use public transport for essential journeys – such as travelling to school or work, or medical appointments.
- A face covering must be worn on public transport and in taxis, shops and hospitality venues when not seated, unless you are exempt.
- Avoid attending amateur and semi-professional sporting events as a spectator.
- Only visit indoor locations such as restaurants and pubs with other members of your household or support bubble, in a group of no more than 6.
- People should work from home where possible.
- From Monday 28 September, only 15 people can attend a wedding service and reception - 30 people can still attend a funeral.
- A maximum of six people can take part in indoor team sports.
- Large sports events and conferences, planned from 1 October will not now take place.

### Covid-19 Symptoms

To support the safety of all adults and children in school please adhere to Government guidance which states: (click on links to see further guidance).

Do not send your child to their nursery, childminder, school or college if:

- they are showing [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) symptoms](#)
- someone in their household is showing symptoms

[Arrange a test](#) if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform your nursery, childminder, school or college of the results.

If the test is positive, follow:

[guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

It is really important that you help nurseries, childminders, schools and colleges to implement these actions by following the advice set out here and wider public health advice and guidance.

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available by phoning 0800 046 8687 .

*Public Health England has produced a letter for schools and colleges to share with parents which explains when a child requires a coronavirus (COVID-19) test and what the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are. The letter can be accessed [here](#).*