

6th July 2020

# **Nursery Hill Newsletter**

Dear Parents/Carers,

This is our fourth week of welcoming back children across all year groups. They have settled into school and the new 'normal' routines. We have also started one to one tuition for some of our children in Key Stage Two. They have been coming into school for two sessions of 45 minutes each week to focus on Reading, Writing and Maths. The children have found it really useful and enjoyable and this will continue up until the end of term.

We still have children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, as well as keyworker children who have been coming into school since June 8<sup>th</sup>. Teachers have been working hard planning in class lessons and delivering Class Dojo activities which have been differentiated. We are expecting that children who are not on school site are continuing with their Class Dojo activities. The Teachers have also uploaded videos of themselves reading stories, why not take some time out and listen to them read. Thank you to our parents/carers for encouraging the children to complete the tasks.

Please note, the school website reflects some of the excellent learning that has been happening in your homes. Keep an eye out for weekly photographs and teacher comments. This is instead of our weekly celebration assembly.

We are still adhering to Government guidelines by staying alert as much as possible, continuing to wash our hands, and to keep social distancing. As many of you know school has always been open throughout these unprecedented times to support our vulnerable and keyworker children.



# September 2020

On Thursday Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education announced that it will be mandatory for all children to return to school in September 2020. Rest assured that we are making the necessary plans to meet these recommendations and we will inform you accordingly.

The Risk Assessment has a robust plan for integration. Staff have been trained on Nursery Hill Recovery Routines and Procedures.

As part of the action plan we ask that parents/carers do not come into the school building including the office area as this is part of our steps to reduce risk. If parents want to contact the school, we ask that they phone or email.

Thank you for your cooperation.

It is an anxious time for all of us, so please remember to be kind, thoughtful and considerate.







# **Collection of Belongings**

We have collected all the belongings of the children left behind at the beginning of Lockdown. If your child has left anything in school during this period you will be able to collect it on the following days, at the following times.

# Monday 13th July - Key Stage 1

To adhere with social distancing and the safety of all, we will put Key Stage One belongings on tables at the front of the school. Parents/carers will be able to collect any belongings between 1.30 and **2.30**. Stay safe.

### Tuesday 14th July - Key Stage 2

To adhere with social distancing and the safety of all, we will put Key Stage Two belongings on tables at the front of the school. Parents/carers will be able to collect any belongings between 1.30 and **2.30**. Stay safe.

If you have any school reading books, a box will be provided on the table for you to return the books (on the days above) and they will be guarantined for future use.

### **End Of Year Reports**

We will be posting the End of Year school reports for your child/ren next week. Included in the envelope will be information about your child's Attendance, their Teacher's assessment of their learning and a School menu for the next academic year.

#### Information

The Government has also published particular information for parents/carers to explain why and how they have reached these decisions. All relative documentation can be found on https://www.gov.uk/

Parents and carers can contact the Local Authority if they have any concerns or queries over the weeks ahead.

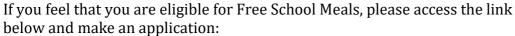
You can contact the Local Authority on the new parental helpline on **01926 412021** from 08:00 to 18:00 or check the Council's website for further information.

The parent and carer webpage can be found

here- https://schools.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/coronavirus-advice-parents/1

#### Free School Meals

There are many people who are eligible for Free School Meals who have not made an application.



https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals

Please keep school informed if successful via email: admin2001@welearn365.com







After your application and if successful you will receive a notification via your email address. As part of this process please keep school informed of any changes to your current contact details.



#### **George's Positive News**

This week there is another instalment of George's Positive News on our webpage. Please look out for the 'George's Positive News' weekly updates. Well done George, you are bringing happiness to us all!

#### **EYFS Website Launch**

Please see the website for a virtual tour of our school, with lots of information for parents/carers who may want their child to join the Nursery Hill Family. Please share this information with anyone you know that may be looking for a Reception or Nursery place. We also have spaces in other year groups.

#### Online Assemblies

Every week children will have the opportunity to listen to an online assembly with different topics and guest speakers. Last week they went intergalactic with a talk about life on Mars. Ant and Dec also shared a message from the NSPCC, a charity that we have supported this year.



This can be found through the Oak National Academy on the following link:

https://classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/#



#### Mental and Physical Health

Although we are in unprecedented times it is important to maintain our physical health. Being active each day will not only help us physically but also mentally. <a href="https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fitterfutures">https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fitterfutures</a>

#### Warwickshire Welfare Scheme

If parents/carers are having financial difficulties you can apply to Warwickshire Welfare Scheme for support. Parents/carers can apply to Warwickshire's Local Welfare Scheme for help with food and energy. Parents and carers can contact the scheme on **0800 408 1448** or **01926 359 182** You will be asked for each child's name, date of birth and a valid mobile number.

You can also email warwickshirelocalwelfarescheme@warwickshire.gov.uk

If you do email you will need to include child's name, date of birth and a valid mobile phone number.

#### Communication

We like to keep in touch so can I ask parents to check their mobiles and the school website regularly for any updates or information.











#### **Twitter**

Just to let parents know that we do have a Twitter account and that is another form of communication, please look out for any information about Nursery Hill and any associated websites that we think may support you in these unprecedented times.

You can find us on Twitter: @nursery\_hill

#### **School Closure**

School will be closed from Friday 17th July. We return back to school on Wednesday 2nd September

# Some useful phone numbers

If you have no support and are finding it hard to manage right now, get in touch with Warwickshire County Council for emotional, financial and practical support. Call 0800 4081447 or visit www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirusvulnerable

<u>Coventry and Warwickshire Mental Health</u>- 0800 616 171 – a free 24/7 confidential helpline providing emotional support

Samaritans (24/7 service) - 116 123

National Domestic Abuse Helpline - 0808 2000 247 (www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/)

<u>Text SHOUT</u> to 85258 in the UK to text with a trained Crisis Volunteer.

Mind promote mental health Phone: 0300 123 3393

<u>Childline</u> Phone: 0800 1111 for Childline for children (24-hour helpline) 0808 800 5000 for adults concerned about a child (24-hour helpline)

Cruse Bereavement Care Phone: 0808 808 1677

Yours sincerely,











Here is another exciting competition from Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service. They are asking all children to carry out a fire safety check using their online form. Use the link below to request a form.

# Calling all children in Warwickshire Its competition time again how safe is your home?

Would you like to become a Junior Fire safety champion?

All you have to do is complete a fire safety check in your home with an adult, following our online form.

The online form gives safety information and asks you to check certain areas of the home, with adult support. This will help keep you safe from fire and will give opportunity to request support from the Fire service.

All children who take part in the safety check will receive a certificate to show you have become a Junior Fire Safety Champion.

10 entries will be pulled at random and will also receive a medal We cant wait to make you all Junior Fire Safety Champions

Please email Gemma Childs at <a href="mailto:cfs@warwickshire.gov.uk">cfs@warwickshire.gov.uk</a> to request the link to the online form, once you have the form you can start your safety check and then submit it once completed. The closing date for this activity is Friday 31st July, all certificates will be posted out throughout the month of July.

10 lucky winners will be pulled at random after the closing date and those entries will receive a medal.

Good luck to everyone taking part.



