



Newsletter – Friday, 19th June 2020

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Welcome to this week's **Newsletter, Issue 11**

This newsletter brings you the usual reminders for contact along with some new information to keep you updated.

Stay alert

Thank you for keeping alert to the symptoms of Coronavirus. It is important that we keep doing so. If you or your child show any of the following symptoms, please do not come to school, or leave your house, other than to get a test:

- New, persistent cough
- High temperature
- Loss or change of taste and/or smell

It is always better to be cautious, rather than take risks if you or your child feel unwell.

Free School Meals

Reminder to parents who have ordered the lunch packs for next week. These will be available for collection on Monday and Thursday between 11 and 12 o'clock.

Children's sessions in school

A polite reminder to all parents/carers - Due to ratios and staffing, please only bring your child/children in on the days you have booked them in. If you need any guidance on this, please speak to a member of staff in the school office.

Final admissions requests for the summer term

There will be a letter sent out via email/text on Monday regarding the final admissions for children in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 6. Unfortunately, we are unable to open the invitation to the rest of the year groups. However, we are planning an opportunity for all children to meet their current and new teachers virtually during the final few days of term. There will be more information on this in the letter on Monday.

Social distancing

Please see the following extract from the Parent FAQ document, shared on a number of occasions. The excerpt confirms **the law** around social distancing. We have no room for movement on the application of **the law** and as such, will not hesitate to ask parents to remove their children from school if they are found to be not following these rules.

'What do we mean by social distancing at home?'

For your child to return to school, you must ensure that:

- You have had no visitors inside your house (except for using a toilet). A visitor is anyone who does not live there.



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- Your child does not visit the inside of another house (except for using the toilet)
- No more than 6 people gather in your garden, or another garden that you are in, at any time and you always stay at least 2m apart
- Your children are supervised when playing outside the boundaries of your property
- You and your child(ren) maintain a 2m distance between people from other households when away from your house

What if I am found to NOT be social distancing at home?

In order to protect our pupils, staff and loved ones, it is vital that all children and their families observe the government guidance around social distancing. A condition of the risk assessment is that all pupils and staff will observe the guidance. We therefore trust that you will continue to observe government social distancing recommendations. Should we be made aware of any breaches of this (e.g. via parental concerns, pupil conversation, social media etc) we will ask your children to self-isolate (therefore not come to school) for a period of 14 days.

If needed, we will issue a Section 547 order (Education Act), meaning you cannot attend the school site for a period of 14 days. Please do not put us in this position.

We appreciate these rules are strict and as time moves on, they are becoming more difficult to abide by, but parents who are sending their children back to school, and staff who are coming into work every day deserve to know that the school environment is as safe as possible. Unfortunately, a small number of pupils are currently unable to attend school due to social distancing breaches and this policy will continue to be applied. If you are in any doubt whatsoever about what is or is not allowable, please contact the school and we can provide the information.

Communication with school

The office continues to be open throughout the school day. Access to the school site is strictly limited so, we would ask that you use email and telephone as the main points of communication. Due to social distancing guidelines, we are unable to have visitors in school without a prior appointment. If you require an appointment, please ring the school office on 01909 478886.

Please continue to use the dedicated emails below-

1. **General enquiries:** queries you think the office can help with, including emails relating to Free School Meals, should be sent to: office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk
2. **Enquiries related to children's work:** queries for your child's teacher, or anything you wish to send into school for your child's teacher to see, should be sent to: teacher.enquiries@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk
3. **IT related enquiries:** for example difficulty logging onto the Blog or Sumdog, etc, or password checks, should be sent to: it.enquiries@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk (Please note that we are unable to mend laptops and other devices)

Have a lovely weekend!