

# Church Crookham News

*"Achievement By All"*

## Walk to School Week (W.B. 5<sup>th</sup> October)

Walk to School Week is an initiative to encourage everyone to walk to school, or at least park and walk the rest of the journey. There will be information shared with children in classes to encourage everyone to walk, scooter or bike to school. If children do come to school on their bikes, they do need to have a cycle helmet.

## Google Classrooms

Google Classrooms includes homework and also any work if your child is self-isolating to undertake at home. If you need help to get your child to log into Google Classrooms or need support with not having a computer or tablet at home for your child to access this please do get in touch at school.

## COVID

Inevitably we are still taking the significant precautions in school to help keep our school community safe and reduce the risk of transmission. This does involve us contacting parents if their child has any of the three symptoms. If you suspect your child has another medical condition (e.g. a cold) we are advising parents to contact 111 to ensure that correct medical advice is followed. The next pages have some information from the NHS for parents which we hope will provide some clarity. If you are unsure, such as if you have a child at another educational establishment and COVID has 111 will provide guidance

It is clear with the information and announcement this week from the Prime Minister, that we need to all to play our part and support each other. With this in mind, we are asking if parents and childminders can try hard to maintain social distancing when collecting children and for only one Year Three parent to come onto the school site to collect children. Children should not be on the play equipment as we are trying to ensure that items are cleaned, etc. and reduce the risk of transmission. Many schools have requested that parents on the school site wear face masks and parents are welcome to do this.

## School Lunches

HC3S, our catering supplier, have been working hard to deliver good quality school lunches. An added complication is that there has been an issue with not being able to use our kitchen to cook food, due to a significant part of an electrical item not working. Food is currently being cooked at another local school kitchen and delivered, just like it was a year ago. The standard of food provision has remained high and our HC3S Team have been excellent at managing this additional challenge. From Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October school dinners will increase to £2.50 per meal.

## Jewellery

Please may we remind you that children should only be wearing 'stud' earrings and not hooped earrings for school.

Thank you,

*P. Meek*

**Pam Meek, Headteacher**

## Dates





**5<sup>th</sup> October** – Walk to School Week. All children are encouraged to walk to school.

**16<sup>th</sup> October** – 'Fabulous Friday' We will be running this one day where children will take part in activities in their Year Group Bubble. This is a slightly different version of our traditional 'Fantastic Fridays' which we run once a term. More details will follow soon.

## Inset Days





Provided that school remains fully open, our planned Inset Days are:  
23rd October  
4th Jan  
12th Feb  
28th June

## COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p><b>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child's test comes back negative and child is well enough</b></p>
 <p><b>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</b></p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</b></p>
 <p><b>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - <i>even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</b></p>

\* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p><b>...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms* or confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days</li> <li>• Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days</b></p>
 <p><b>...we / my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not take unauthorised leave in term time</li> <li>• Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</li> <li>• Provide information to school as per attendance policy</li> </ul> <p><b>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days</b></p>
 <p><b>...we have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>• Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team</li> <li>• Child should shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again</b></p>
 <p><b>....I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only people with symptoms* need to get a test</li> <li>• People without symptoms are not advised to get a test, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive</li> </ul>	<p><b>...when conditions above, as matching your situation, are met</b></p>

**For further information:**

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**[gov.uk/backtoschool](https://www.gov.uk/backtoschool)**