

Week ending 18th September 2020

Be respectful Be ready Be resilient Be responsible Be resourceful Be reflective Be remarkable

Another week has passed. The children continue to work hard and try their best. We have noticed they are tired being back every day!

Year 6 have written descriptively as if they were in starting blocks at the beginning of a race. Focussed on figurative language. They produced some incredible writing.

PE Kits

We have agreed that children can wear their PE kits to school on the days the children have PE. We would encourage you to send your child to school in their normal PE kit. This should be black shorts/trousers/ leggings and a white or red t-shirt please. If children come dressed in inappropriate clothes on their PE days they may not be able to participate for health and safety reasons.

Governor News

The Governors met this week for their annual planning meeting. At the meeting they ratified a number of policies; these are available on the school website for your information:

- ◆ Child Protection
- ◆ Health and Safety
- ◆ Complaints
- ◆ Nut awareness

Our governors also agreed their responsibilities for the year.

**Our safeguarding governor is
Dr Jo Bowser-Angermann,**

A reminder please that we are a **nut aware school.**

We ask that children's lunches do not contain peanut products in particular, peanut butter and Nutella spread.



EYFS Pick Up

From Monday 28th September, the EYFS children can be collected at 2:40pm.

Social Media

Could we politely ask that you are careful about what information you post on social media about your children. We also ask that any communications from the school does not get posted on any social media sites. Thank you in advance.



Message from Mr Harvison, Hedingham School Headteacher for Year 5 & 6 parents:

"As you can all appreciate, due to the current climate, Hedingham School will not be able to offer an Open Evening. I appreciate this is frustrating for us all and acknowledge that there is no substitute for observing our students in their learning environment. However, we are preparing a virtual programme which will include a tour of the school, students in lessons, Headteacher's presentation, live Q&A for parents to attend and student presentation. We will endeavour to provide you with exact dates and times" once arrangements are finalised."

Well done to Years 2, 4 and 6B for over 97% attendance this week and Years 4 & 5 for 100% punctuality.

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COVID Q&A

To try to support you in understanding the decisions that we make in relation to children feeling unwell, please see below some questions and answers. These have come from the updated advice and guidance we have received from the LA.

Should sickness and diarrhoea be added to the main symptoms of COVID-19.

No these are not symptoms which on their own would meet criteria for someone to be tested.

If parents keep their child at home because they have symptoms, should the sibling with no symptoms be kept off too.

Yes, the whole household should isolate while a test is being sought. This would include siblings from, other schools or settings.

Is there any advice for children presenting with colds but who also have a temperature or cough?

Any child with a high temperature, new continuous cough or loss of smell or taste, regardless of additional symptoms pointing to another cause, should be self-isolated and tested.

As we approach winter, how do we manage children who may have a persistent cough due to asthma?

Any child with one of the COVID symptoms should be tested, even if there is chance that it is related to allergies of asthma

How does this work for children who often get a temperature at the same time due to coughing and extra effort in breathing.

It is not usual for children with asthma to display signs of a temperature without being otherwise unwell.

Still have questions or unsure:

Please go to <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/>

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptom