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Welcome back!

Good afternoon families,

I am looking forward to welcoming you all back on Thursday morning. It is always a joy to see our children looking so smart in their school uniform, coming in with beaming smiles. We will also be welcoming our Reception families and Miss Kennedy has communicated start and end times directly with those families as children will be attending settling in sessions for the first two days.

Start times for all children 8:40 (registration 8:55) after this time would incur a late mark

Each classroom team will operate a meet and greet welcome to the start of the day which means our classrooms doors will be open as the gates open and children will come straight into their classroom, greeted by an adult. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to communicate any urgent messages that the team will need to know for that day. Any longer issues may require an appointment after school.

Collection time for all children 3:15

We will also see the return of Breakfast Club in the school hall from 8:00 at a cost of 50p per session. Children who are attending Breakfast Club should now enter via the main office door please. We will be offering a wide range of after school clubs this year so please look out for the letter that will be sent home by the end of the week in your child's book bag. After school clubs are charged at £5 for the term.

See you all on Thursday!

Mrs L Roberts

Uniform

From Thursday we will return to full school uniform including black school shoes. Children should come to school on their PE days in their white PE t-shirt, their school jumper/ cardigan and either plain black leggings or plain black jogging bottoms (these can be purchased from local supermarkets and should not be branded). They may come in their red shorts if the weather is warm. Class teacher will let you know when your child's PE day is.



If you or anyone in your household develops any one of the main Covid symptoms, they and anyone who is not double vaccinated and is over the aged of 18 years MUST self-isolate immediately and get a PCR test. This is required by law. Lateral flow tests are not adequate for those with symptoms. They must always be followed up with a confirmatory PCR test.

Healthy lunch boxes

Your child should have a healthy lunch box if they are not staying for school dinners. They should not have any fizzing drinks, sweets or chocolate as this can impact on their learning during the afternoon and on their overall health.

Our new 3 week school menu can be found on our website. All children in school voted on these meals so why not ask them if they want to give it a try?

Free School Meal Vouchers

Parents of children who were entitled to free school meals at the end of last academic year may now collect a voucher from the school office which can be spent at ASDA



Stay Safe

Remote learning will be provided for any children self-isolating and unless they are too ill, this should be completed

Take time for
family and friends

Take time
to test



One in three people with COVID-19 do not have symptoms so could spread the virus without knowing.



Test twice weekly to protect yourself, your friends and your family, even if you've been vaccinated.

Visit: **www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/covidtesting**



To summarise the key messages:

- Twice-weekly no-symptoms (asymptomatic) testing is important as identifies the one in three people who have the virus without any symptoms and so who could be spreading the virus unwittingly.
- While vaccines are the best way to protect people from Coronavirus, no vaccine is 100% effective. Even if they have had the vaccine, asymptomatic residents should continue to test themselves twice a week for COVID-19.
- Rapid Lateral Flow Tests (LFTs) are for people without symptoms of the virus. They show results in around 30 minutes, are easy to access and free to all.
- There are three walk-in testing centres in the borough at Chester Cathedral, the Dingle Centre in Winsford and Stanney Oaks Leisure Centre in Ellesmere Port, and no appointment is necessary. Test kits to do at home can also be collected at the above locations, as well as at Northwich, Neston, Frodsham and Ellesmere Port libraries, Dee View Distribution Hub near Chester Retail Park and the mobile library van at Tarporley, Tattenhall, Malpas and Tarvin. For more information visit: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/c19testing.

Alternatively, free test kits can be picked up at most pharmacies, with a map of participating venues at: maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk, order online at: www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests or by calling: 119 (open from 7am to 11pm and free to call).

COVID-19 Roving Vaccination Clinics – from Monday 14th June 2021

- **Are you aged 40 or over and haven't yet had your first vaccination against COVID-19 or do you know someone who falls into this group (family member, friend, neighbour, etc.)?**

There will be walk-in vaccination clinics in your area on the following days next week:

- Monday 14th June – Over Children's Centre, Ludlow Close, Winsford, CW7 1LX
- Tuesday 15th June – Plas Dinas, Blaenau Point Road, Blaenau, CH1 5SN
- Wednesday 16th June – Stanlaw Children's Centre, Alnwick Drive, Ellesmere Port, CH85 9HE
- Thursday 17th June – Hoole Community Centre, Westminster Road, Hoole, CH2 3AP
- Friday 18th June – Northwich Memorial Court, Chesterway, Northwich, CW9 5QJ

All clinics will run from 10.00 to 16.00 (or for as long as vaccine supplies last). You don't need to book an appointment in advance – just turn up on the day.

You will need to provide the following details:

- NHS Number (if you have it)
- Date of birth
- Address
- Email and/or phone number

You'll be given an appointment for your second dose on the day.

- **Don't know your NHS number?**

Your NHS number is a 10-digit number, like 485 777 3456. It is on any letter you receive from the NHS or any prescription you have.

Alternatively, you can request this online through the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/online-services/find-nhs-number/>

You will be asked for your name, date of birth and postcode and will then receive a text, email or letter with your NHS number.

- **Can't make it, or you're aged between 25 and 39?**

You can book an appointment through the National Booking Service either online (www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination) or by phoning 119.