



The Spire Federation North Cockerington CE Primary School

5th March 2021



Return to school

As you will be aware Monday 8th March 2021 is the date all pupils return to school and we are very much looking forward to welcoming you all back.

You should have already received a copy of our "return to school" leaflet and letter by email which outlines our main operating procedures for keeping everyone safe.

If you did not receive a copy please let the school office know and a replacement will be sent.

The leaflet references coming to school dressed in joggers etc... on PE days. Please note each classes PE days will be as follows:

Robin Class –Monday & Wednesday

Kingfisher Class –Monday and Thursday

Owl Class –Wednesday and Friday

If you need a reminder of the house colour you child is in for drop off & collection times please let the office know. (Siblings will be in the same house colour.)

You may recall last week a letter was issued regarding the heating issues that affected Key Stage 2. We are pleased to report that a temporary fuel supply has been installed and the heating is now back up and running in Kingfisher and Owl classes.

Meal Order Update

Thank you to everyone that submitted their lunch order forms despite the difficulties we have had collecting the information remotely.

Invoices will be issued w/c 8th March for outstanding payments for any meals ordered for the period 8/3/21—31/3/21. If you are due a credit for a cancelled meal due to the heating closures, or have an outstanding credit on account, this will be deducted off the amount owed.

Payment by the correct amount of cash is preferred although we will accept a cheque made payable to Lincolnshire County Council. Please be aware there may be a delay in banking cheques due to our school bursar working remotely at present.

If you have any queries please let the office know.

Mr Motivator

Our critical worker pupils were able to take part in live fitness session with Mr Motivator last Monday morning. The session was streamed live by Zoom to over 50 local schools and was kindly arranged by Wrangle Primary School. Although this event could not be shared with everyone at home, we hope you managed to enjoy a physical activity of your choice.

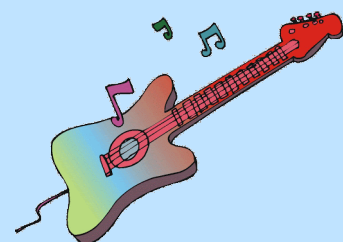


Guitar Lessons

We are pleased to let you know guitar lessons with Mr Newby will start again on Monday 15th March. If your child is already signed up for lessons with Mr Newby, please don't forget your guitar on this day as we are not able to share guitars.

If your child has decided not to continue with their lessons, please let the office and Mr Newby know as soon as possible.

Thank you



Laptops and Chromebooks

If your child borrowed a device from school to assist with remote learning, please ensure these are brought back to school next week along with any charging cables and bags or pouches they were in.

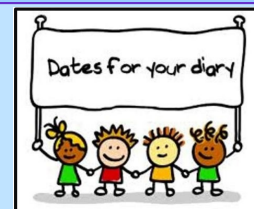
The devices will need to be handed to a member of staff who will send them to the office to be cleaned & signed back in.



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Diary Dates

- Monday 8th March – Return to school
- Wednesday 10th March –Deadline for Bikeability forms Year 5/6
- Monday 15th March – Guitar lessons resume
- Friday 19th March – Red Nose Day (more details to follow)
- Wednesday 31st March – School Photographs with Wrates Photographers (more details to follow)
- Wednesday 31st March – Last day of term
- Thursday 1st April – Staff Inset Day
- Monday 19th April – Return to school



Please also see the attached poster regarding Puddleducks Easter holiday woodland activities. Please contact Puddleducks direct to make a booking or for further enquiries

Junior Bake Off

Channel 4 are looking for the next Junior Bake Off champion. If you are interested in applying to be in the show and are aged between 9-15 years, please see the attached poster with details on how to apply.

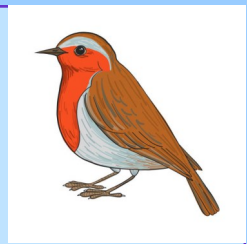
Applications must be made by 28th March 2021.



No More Cardboard –Thank you

Miss White would like to thank everyone that answered her plea for cardboard boxes, We now have enough and currently are not taking any further donations,

Watch this space to see what all these boxes might be turned into!



Asymptomatic testing information for parents with school age children

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week, that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Tests are fast, easy and completely free and there are different ways for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site – anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online – please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.

Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.

Further information regarding the tests and how to order them is available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

World Book Day 4th March 2021

World book day was a little different this year but many of you still got into the spirit of the day and dressed up, thank you for sending in your photos!

Can you guess which characters these people are?

