

Langley Fitzurse Church of England Primary School



Newsletter



Newsletter 2

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"Amaze, Excite, Inspire"

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What a busy week!

I can't believe it has been a week since the last Newsletter. This is the third week since returning from the Summer Break, and the children are really into the flow of their learning and are seamlessly adapting to the changes to routine and procedures.

Class teachers and Teaching Assistants continue to support all the children in 'reconnecting'. This will form the basis of our recovery curriculum throughout the year, which will adapt and respond to local and national changes.

Understandably, we will have more children absent from school during these times. As part of this week's newsletter I have included a quick reference guide that a local school has created, detailing what to do should your child become ill.

There will be increased cases of colds as we move into the colder months. Colds should not keep children away from school, but new continuous coughs should. If you are at all worried or not sure, please contact your local doctors or 111 for advice.

Thank you for offers of help for Gardening within the school grounds. This will start in the next few weeks, following strict hygiene measures.

Open Morning

Saturday 17 October

10.00 am to 1.00 pm

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding an Open Morning on Saturday 17 October for our Reception 2021 intake. To comply with the 'Rule of 6' and social distancing requirements, numbers will be strictly limited and masks will be worn.

Show rounds will take place at 10 am, 11 am and 12 noon, and must be booked in advance by calling 01249 750 295 or emailing us at

admin@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk

Please help us spread the word!

Ballet Club for Pegasus Class!

Naomi Battley, who taught Hercules Ballet last year, is starting a new club after school on Mondays starting on **28 Sept**. It runs from 3.15 to 4.00 pm and costs £40 for 10 weeks. It's open to Pegasus Class.

A Message From the PTA

Hello everyone, and welcome back!!!,

For those new parents who we haven't been fortunate enough to meet yet, welcome to Langley Fitz! We're a very active PTA, and by being the grown-up of a child at this fab little school you are automatically a member.

As an into to us... In a normal year we run lots of special events which add that extra little bit of magic to the children's school life. May Fair, Christmas Fair, the odd disco and film night, Mothers Day events and Easter Egg hunts to name a few. We raise money from these super events, and previously have used this money for things like refreshing the reading books, funding coaches for school trips and buying laptops for the school.

So 2020 hasn't been a normal year so far, and we're still getting our heads around what we're going to do for this school year. We'll be chatting about this at upcoming PTA meetings, please do come along. Many hands make light work, and many minds will help us to come up with lots of new ideas about what we can do next!

The other news that we wanted to share with you is that the changes this year have meant that we're looking for a new Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to be in the PTA Committee. If you fancy getting more involved, like coordinating events, love a spreadsheet or enjoy being the organised one then this could be ideal for you. Don't be scared, you won't be alone! We'll give you all the support you need so you don't have to run before you walk. If you're interested in getting more involved through this then drop us a note (PTAChair@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk or PTAtreasurer@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk) and we can chat about what this involves.

The first PTA meeting of the year is the PTA AGM which we've organised for Wed 14th October at 7:30pm - save the date! We plan on doing this over Zoom, and will be sending out more details on this nearer the time.

Last, but definitely not least!, a little note on upcoming PTA events:

Our next Bag to School collection is on 7th October, for more info on what can go into these bags please have a look at their website: <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

(Sorry to mention the C-word, but...) We've organised for the children to design Christmas Cards this year. More info, and some amazing art by the children themselves, will be coming home later this term.

For any and all queries please pop a note through to us and we will cheerfully have a chat about any and all things PTA related :-)

Amy Stenner
(PTA Chair)

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor on the Langley Board, with a view to that person joining the new Federated Board in November. Please contact Liz Howe on 01249 750 295 or admin@langleyfitzurse.wilts.sch.uk for more details. The closing date is **Mon 21 September**.

Holiday Clubs

Grassroots Sports Academy, who run our EMC and ASC, are holding all their holiday clubs here at Langley Fitzurse! Please see the attached leaflet for more details.

What does Christian Distinctiveness mean at Langley Fitzurse School?

As a Church of England School, our partnership with St Peter's, our local church, is very important. As a school we hold services in the church to welcome new pupils, celebrate Harvest, Christmas and Easter, and to farewell our Year 6's. We also go to mark Remembrance and to hold our Christingle Service each year. But the relationship is so much more than this.

Rev Alison Love, Rev Mark Sidall and Mrs Katherine Bloomer are regularly in school to lead Collective Worship, support RE lessons and offer pastoral care. Mrs Bloomer works with our pupil Worship Council to help find new ways of being a church school – have you seen the beautiful Worship cloth in the hall? She is also part of the school's Christian Distinctiveness committee.

Our foundation governor, Mrs Harriet Wilkinson, goes along to the parish church meetings to make sure we have good communication and find ways to support one another. St Peter's Church has been very generous in supporting a number of projects in school – and we have been able to actively take part in the Scarecrow Songs of Praise, 'Rogation walk about' and 'Harvest on the Farm' services.

This relationship is very important to our school and parish church – and we are delighted to be applying for the Bristol Diocese Church /School Partnership Award.

*Katherine Bloomer,
part of the Draycot Ministry Team and member of the Christian Distinctiveness Committee.*

REMINDER: 'Flu Vaccinations

All children from Reception to Year 6 from September 2020 are eligible for a Free Nasal Childhood 'Flu Vaccination.

The VirginCare team will be administering the vaccinations at Langley Fitzurse on **Friday 13 November**, and will adhere to all up to date Infection Control, PPE and social distancing guidance at the time.

'Flu vaccination is one of the most effective interventions we have to reduce pressure on the health and social care system which is going to be more important than ever this year. For this reason, it is essential we deliver the vaccine to as many children as possible to prevent the spread of infection to those most at risk in society.

In light of the above we are expecting demand to be high and therefore we urge you to follow the below link to consent to your child's vaccination now. Even if you do not want your child to receive this vaccination, please complete the consent form stating "no" consent. You will also find answers to your FAQ's on this link.

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2020/wilts>

If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of Access (SPA).

Tel: 0300 247 0082 Email: vcl.immunisations@nhs.net

A QUICK Reference guide for COVID Absence

This information has come via a local school and gives a clear guide for parents should children show signs and symptoms of COVID. Should guidance change regarding self isolation we will en-

What to do if.....	Action Needed	Return to School when....
<p>My Child has covid-19 symptoms: High Temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back; A new continuous cough – this means coughing for longer than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs; A Loss or change to your sense of smell or taste: this means that you have noticed that you cannot smell or taste anything.</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact the school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days; Get a test INFORM THE SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY OF THE TEST RESULT</p>	<p>...the test comes back negative</p>
<p>My Child tests positive for Covid-19....</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree and earliest date for possible return Minimum of 10 days Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days; Bubble/isolates/remote learning</p>	<p>...they feel better. They can return after minimum 10 days, even if they have a cough, or loss of taste/smell – these symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My Child tests negative</p>	<p>CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day)</p>	<p>...the test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE PROCEDURE – PLEASE CALL 01249 750295</p>	<p>As soon as recovered, or, in the case of Sickness, 48hrs after the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea</p>
<p>Someone in my household has covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact the school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days; Household members to get tested INFORM THE SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY OF THE TEST RESULT</p>	<p>...the test comes back negative</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact the school to inform us Agree and earlier date for possible return – Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>NHS Test and Trace has identified that my child has been in close contact with someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact the school to inform us Agree and earlier date for possible return – Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to isolate in a period of quarantine</p>	<p>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Agree and earlier date for possible return – Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must continue to shield</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT THE SCHOOL Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</p>	<p>...You are informed that shielding requirement is lifted</p>
<p>My child's bubble is closed due to a covid-19 outbreak in school</p>	<p>DO NOT COME INTO SCHOOL At home support your child with remote education provided by the school Your child will need to isolate for 14 days</p>	<p>...School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened</p>