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AIMING HIGH TOGETHER



CHESTER ZOO TRIP



On Wednesday our Year 2 children had a school trip to Chester Zoo. On their return the first thing the teachers said to me was how AMAZINGLY well our children behaved throughout the day. Their behaviour was impeccable and as a result the enjoyment they got out of the day was immeasurable. Well done to all of the children and a big thank you to the staff and those parents who offered their support for making it such a special day.

CLOCKS HAVE GONE BACK AND SHORTER DAYLIGHT HOURS

As we all know the clocks went back last weekend. This means that daylight hours are much reduced. The days are shorter and the nights are longer. In the damp, cold, wet weather everywhere looks dull. It is difficult to see someone who is wearing dark clothing. With the new LED streetlamp the roads and pavements are now much darker and it is very hard for drivers to spot people on the pavements and crossing the road when they are wearing dark coloured clothing. It is important to make yourself and your child more visible by wearing lighter, brighter clothing or by having something reflective on their bag, coat or shoes to make them easier to spot. Please see the images below to illustrate this.



KEEP YOUR CHILD VISIBLE



Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st November

INSET Day - School closed to pupils

Tuesday 2nd November

Children return to school

Friday 17th December

Last day of term

Monday 20th

December - Monday 3rd January

Christmas Holidays

Monday 4th January

INSET day

Tuesday 5th January

Children return to school



BONFIRE NIGHT

Tonight is bonfire night, please remember that it is always SAFER to go to an official organised fireworks display.

NASAL FLU VACCINE

Please find below the information sent to us today from the Lead Nurse for Wirral Community Health and Care regarding those pupils who did not receive the nasal flu vaccine at school in September. We will be having a catch up session in school in January 2022.

In addition to the January catch up we would like to invite parents and carers of children that did not receive the NASAL FLU vaccine when we were in school to call and book into a clinic if they wish to. This could be for children that were absent or unwell on the day or parents did not consent in time .

PLEASE CALL 0151 514 2510 to book into a clinic

We have available clinics week commencing 1st November 2021.

POPPY APPEAL

We are supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal again this year. From Monday the children will be able to purchase poppies and a range of other items.

What we're remembering this year

In 2021 we are marking 100 years since the nation's collective Remembrance traditions were first brought together, such as the poppy, two-minute silence, Armistice Day, the service for the Unknown Warrior, and the march-past at the Cenotaph.



COVID-19 – TESTING

Please be aware that if your child displays **ANY ONE** of the **three main symptoms** in school, they will be required to isolate until a negative PCR test is returned. Covid-19 has not gone away and although restrictions have eased nationally **we are still required to ensure anyone with symptoms is isolated and a test carried out.** There have been incidents of some schools now having to send classes home due to 'breakouts'. **We do not want this to happen in our school again due to the negative effect of closing bubbles on the children's education and wellbeing. Testing and isolating is critical to ensuring this does not happen.**

The paragraph below is taken directly from the DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION GUIDANCE

Please see our Federation website to find out current levels of infection.

If you suspect your child has coronavirus or has a positive test

Do not send your child to their nursery, childminder or school, if:

- they are showing one or more [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) symptoms](#)
- they have had a positive test result
- there are other reasons requiring them to stay at home, for example, they are [required to quarantine](#), or they are awaiting their PCR result after a positive lateral flow test

You should follow public health advice on [when to self-isolate and what to do](#).