

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

We are thrilled to welcome everyone back to school. Everyone has settled very well and it's lovely to see happy, smiling faces and hear the buzz of busy learning around school.

COVID CONTINGENCY PLANS

We are all currently working in unpredictable times and we will continue to follow government guidance and amend our risk assessments accordingly to keep your child as safe as we possibly can in school. This means that we may need to revert back to previous systems at short notice. This may include staggered starts and separate bubbles. If the case numbers rise significantly in the community, we may need to ask you to wear face coverings when dropping off and collecting your child from school. We appreciate your support with this.

Please find attached a link to the latest government guidance regarding what to do if you or your child has symptoms or believe that you may be a close contact.

If we have a confirmed case in school, we will inform parents of children in the affected class/es so you are aware and can be vigilant of any symptoms that your child may develop.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

SCHOOL CAR PARK

We have had an increase in the number of children who travel to and from school using school transport. If you need to use the school car park, please can you ensure you park in a marked bay and do not park on the chevroned areas as these are reserved for school transport vehicles.

FRUIT

The children from Nursery to Year 2 are entitled to fruit everyday. If your child is in Year 3 or 4, they can bring a piece of fresh fruit in each day should they wish to.

PARENT GOVERNOR

We have two parent governor vacancies at the moment. Should you wish to express an interest in this role, please contact the office. The deadline for nominations is 1st October.

FLU VACCINATIONS

You will be aware that 12 -15 year olds are being offered the COVID vaccine, unfortunately because of this our date for the flu vaccinations will be postponed until Wednesday 8th December.

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual photographs will be taken on the morning of Wednesday 29th September. If you have a pre-school child and would prefer a family photo then please arrive at school for 8.30am.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder that our school uniform is now being supplied by Cloud 9 Leisure in Cramlington. If you require uniform or book bags, please follow the link to place your order.

https://www.cloud9leisure.co.uk/rothbury-first-school

PE, SWIMMING AND FOREST SCHOOL

All children from Reception to Year 4 should have a PE kit in school. (shorts, top and PE shoes or trainers, but no football strips please). Year 1/2 need wellies for Forest school and Year 3 and 4 need a swimming kit on a Wednesday. We will continue with swimming lessons at Alnwick for the Autumn term.

Timetable for this half of Autumn Term

Monday	Elephant Class Cricket until 11 th October Dolphin Class PE
Tuesday	Dolphin Class Forest School
Wednesday	Elephant Class Forest School Y3/4 Swimming
Thursday	Y3/4 PE
Friday	Elephant Class PE

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wed 22nd September	Robinwood Parents Meeting (virtual) 5pm
Thurs 23rd September	Trident soccer (week 1 of 5)
Mon 27th September	Early Reading Meeting (virtual) 4.30pm
Wed 29th September	Tempest individual photos

Mon 11th October	Nursery Parents Evening
Wed 13th October	Reception - Year 4 Parents Evening
Wed 20th October	Harvest (further details to follow)
Fri 22nd October	PTA disco (further details to follow)

SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND TERM DATES 2021-22

You will have received the holiday and term dates for the coming academic year. In addition to these, please note that Teacher Training Days will take place on:

Tuesday 4th January 2022 and Friday 24th June 2022.

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