



**COLD HARBOUR**  
C of E Primary School

## **GROWING, LEARNING, ACHIEVING TOGETHER**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely having all the children back this week and they seem to be adapting to school rules and routines quickly. Please remember that homework for the time being will be set online either through Google Classrooms or for our younger children, Purple Mash. As always, it's incredibly important that you encourage your child to read every day and explain to them any new vocabulary that they encounter. A little reading goes a long way!

We have quite a lot of information to share with you this week so please take some time to have a look at the attachments to this newsletter.

### **Parking**

There are a lot of cars in the morning dropping children off at school. Please can we ask you to drop the children off at the top of Highland Close if you can. Please do not use the school gates as a turning point as it is becoming quite dangerous. We really appreciate your support in keeping our children safe.

### **Red Nose Day**

The last 12 months have been incredibly tough for all of us, but we're so proud of how our pupils have managed. As parents and carers, you've also had your lives turned upside down, and we're so grateful for all of your efforts at home. That's why I want to let you know that I think you're the best. And amazing. And could do with a laugh right now.

Which is why I'm inviting you to enjoy Red Nose Day with us on **Friday 19 March**. I appreciate that this is short notice and I know there's a lot going on but we thought everyone could do with a little bit of fun and so we made this last minute decision to raise some smiles and some life-changing money by **dressing up as superheroes**. You do not need to provide any fancy costumes - a simple mask or cape is all that is required and we have attached some templates to help!



Whilst not everyone will be able to donate, we're all in this together so we'd love you all to join us. However much or little we raise, we'll be helping change lives in the UK and across the world.

As well as taking the opportunity to be part of something positive, we'll be using Red Nose Day as a learning opportunity. We'll explore the issues facing young people across the world, and how the money we raise can help. So get **Friday 19 March** in the diary and let's allow our children to have some fun!

### **Coronavirus update**

Please find attached a letter from Vicky Head (Director of Public Health) who gives further guidance about what parents can do to limit the spread of coronavirus in Milton Keynes. It includes information about how you can acquire some lateral flow testing kits for family members and reminds parents about the importance of not gathering at school gates.



## **A Reminder of Start and Finish times**

There seems to be confusion with some families with arrival times and we are experiencing some lateness. As we are back to normal attendance recording and lateness will be noted, may we remind you of the arrival and departure times, these were sent individually to parents via ParentMailPMX on 1st March.

Reception = 8.30am - 2.50pm

Years 1 & 2 = 8.30am - 2.50pm

Years 3 & 4 = 8.40am - 3.00pm

Years 5 & 6 = 8.50am - 3.10pm

To support our families, siblings can be dropped off with the earliest child and picked up from school with the latest child. Breakfast Club and Night Owls need to be booked in advance by emailing your requirements to each club.

## **Parent Governor**

Are you interested in becoming a school governor? If so, please take a look at the attached letter for details about registering your interest.

## **School Lottery**

We have had some tremendous support for the Cold Harbour C of E School lottery. This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children! You can join at any time so if you would like to support this fantastic cause, please feel free!



Please visit our school website for further details <https://www.coldhambourschool.org.uk/school-lottery/>

Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

## **Medical Dietary Requirement Form**

Please find attached a Medical Diets: Double-Checking Confirmation Sheet, which our lunch providers have asked for parents to complete and return to school. Could you complete the first 3 columns i.e. Date, Name of Medical Diet Pupil and Medical Dietary Requirement as per the example on the sheet.

We would appreciate these being returned as soon as possible so that we can ensure that your child does not receive any items which may contain allergens specific to them.

You may wish to complete a form if it applies, even if you do not order meals. This will be used should you decide to order meals in the future.

If you need a paper copy of this form please let the office know and we will send one home with your child.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Claire.**