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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a relaxing half-term break.

As you are aware, the national guidance was updated on Monday, 21st February stating that you are no longer required by law to self-isolate following a positive LFT or PCR test. However, it is still advised that if adults and children test positive that they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days, and then continue to follow the [guidance](#) until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days. This helps to reduce the chance of passing COVID-19 on to others.

Schools have been asked to still notify close contacts of anyone who tests positive to ensure you are aware in case your child develops any symptoms so please be mindful that you may continue to receive any such communications via ParentMail. Should you develop any of the main symptoms then a PCR test should be booked. In line with national guidance, we recommend that your child continues to attend school unless they develop symptoms or test positive.

The government are due to announce further updated guidance on Friday, 1st April.

Word Book Day 2022

Wow! What a wonderful day with so many fabulous outfits. Thank you to everyone who took part. We hope you have put your £1 book token to good use and look forward to hearing about your new books.

Sports News:

- **Basketball Competition:** On Wednesday a team from year 5 represented our school at the School games basketball competition. This was a 'smile' event so the focus was on the children competing with a smile and enjoying themselves. We played 3 games, won 1 and lost the other 2 by one basket. They were close games and it took us a while to gel as a team. It was unfortunate that we didn't progress any further. Nonetheless, we had fun; all children showed outstanding behaviour and were a pleasure to take. Many thanks to the parents who helped with transport.
- **Little Revvers:** Many thanks to all the children and parents who took part in the Saturday fitness sessions. Your feedback was fantastic, if you were not at the last class and missed the opportunity to share your feedback please email the school office, I would love to hear your thoughts. Thank you, Mrs Matthews
- **Kit reminders:** A kindly reminder that if you have recently borrowed any sports kits, please wash them and return them as soon as possible please. It is imperative that these kits are returned so they can be used for future events and competitions. Having the right kit and looking the part really helps to boost confidence levels and give an extra edge. Thank you.

School News:

- On Wednesday morning, our new Year 5 Coventry Young Ambassadors attended their first training event. They showcased all of our Stivichall values as they took part in a range of team building activities with other Young Ambassadors from across the city. They learnt about many of the exciting opportunities they will have when they represent our school and city this year.

Eco Tip

Each week, our Eco Warriors will be sharing an 'Eco-Tip of the Week' with you in our newsletter. We will also be keeping the school website and Twitter updated with what the Eco team have been up to.



This week's top eco tip: Always check which parts of cartons and bottles you can recycle. (Charlie, 4S)

Ukraine Donations

Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for the Ukrainian Centre this week. The items have been collected and delivered to the centre by one of our parents. Please look out for any future fundraising events that are being planned for this cause over the coming weeks. As ever, we thank you for your support.

Parents' Meetings with Teachers via SchoolCloud

Parents' meetings are important because they give you the opportunity to discuss what your child is doing at school and how they are getting on. You can also cover any issues you may want to talk about with your child's teacher. Participating in parents' meetings can help you become better involved in your child's learning and give you ideas for what practical support you could offer at home to further help your child fulfil their potential. It helps you to give your child good, practical support and when schools and parents work together, children do better.

Parent consultation meetings with teachers will take place via SchoolCloud on the following days:

- Wednesday 16th March 3.30 – 7.00 pm All year groups
- Wednesday 23rd March 3.30 – 7.00 pm All year groups
- Parents will be able to book a meeting for either Wednesday, 16th March or Wednesday 23rd March from Monday 7th March at 4.00 pm. Bookings will close at 4.00 pm on Monday, 14th March so please make sure you book within this timeframe ensuring that you only book **one** appointment per child.

Each meeting will be scheduled for 10 minutes. There is a facility for two parents to be able to access the meetings from different locations so please bear this in mind when making your booking. We hope that this feature helps with parents working patterns and/or for any of our separated families.

Bookings can be booked by clicking the following link:

<https://stivichall.schoolcloud.co.uk>

A 'how to book a parents evening guide' also accompanies this newsletter.

Reception Classes Vision Screening

All children in reception classes are invited for vision screening due which will take place in school on Thursday, 31st March. Your child will bring home today an information letter containing all the details you require. You only need to return the form should you **NOT** wish your child to receive a vision screening test. If you have any queries then please call the Orthoptic Department direct on the number contained within the letter.

National Dental Epidemiology Programme

Every year, Dental Public Health collect information on the health of peoples' teeth as part of a dental survey. The information collated helps to plan NHS dental services in our area. This year the survey will collect information about the health of 5 year olds' teeth and the NHS have selected 16 children across Reception and Year 1 at random to take part. These children will bring home an information letter home today for parents to read, and complete and return the reply slip. The survey will take place in school on Monday, 28th March.

A message from the Pupil Leadership Team

Hello! We are delighted to showcase our new bike shed at Stivichall. You can find our amazing addition at the entrance of Coat of Arms Bridge Road. To find out more information, you can visit the school website and watch our video. Thank you.

Year 5 and 6 residentials

We are delighted that both our Year 5 and 6 residential trips will be taking place this year. Below is a reminder that these payments are now due:

Year 6 Dol-y-Moch:

Monday 4th April to Friday 8th April, - Final payment due Monday, 7th March

Year 5 PGL Caythorpe:

Wednesday 4th May to Friday 6th May - 2nd payment due Friday now overdue
Final payment due Friday, 4th March.

Music Invoices

Any outstanding payments should be made by **Monday, 7th March at the latest.**

We apologise that this payment cannot be made via your ParentPay account and that the only method of payment is by cheque. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any queries.

Wool Donations

A group of ladies, including one of our catering team, knit regularly for the premature baby units for our local Coventry and Warwickshire hospitals. They all do this in their own time and knit items including toys, clothes, blankets etc. This is something the group enjoy doing but can only keep doing so if they have the resources to continue. If you have any wool that you are able to donate then please bring it to the school office where it will be passed on to them. The ladies will be very grateful for any amount not matter how large or small and thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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