

Autumn Term 2020 – Newsletter Number 7



Tanners Wood JMI School

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Holidays **must not** be booked during school term time.

Term Dates 2020-21

Autumn Term 2020

Half term: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Term Ends: Friday 18th December 1.30pm

Spring Term 2021

Children in: Monday 4th January

Half term: Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

Term Ends: Friday 26th March 1.30pm

Summer Term 2021

Children in: Monday 12th April

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May

Inset day: Friday 28th May

Half term: Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Term Ends: Friday 16th July 1.30pm

Date	Event
10th May 2021	Year 6 SATS week
May 2021	Year 2 SATS
W/B 7th June 2021	Y 1 Phonics testing
W/B 7th June 2021	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Dates for the 2021-22 Academic Year will be agreed and notified to you shortly.

Complaints

We have had a complaint from a local resident that some of our parents are discarding used disposable masks on the floor outside their house.

We have also had a complaint from a parent whose child was very nearly burnt when another parent threw their lit cigarette butt out of their car window.

Please can we ask you to be considerate to our neighbours and parents and take your rubbish home to be disposed of.

Face Coverings

Please ensure that face coverings are worn when dropping off and collecting children.

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all those parents who made an appointment for a telephone consultation this week. There are just a very small number of parents who we have not successfully made contact with. If you have not done so, it is not too late to catch up on how your child is doing in school. Please contact the office who will be happy to help you. Feedback on how these have worked is very positive.

Book Return

A big thank you to everyone for ensuring the books which were sent home to parents on Thursday last week were returned on the Friday.

Thank you for bearing with us in these strange times and for following our request to have them returned the next day.

Illness

A reminder that if your child has had sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must not return to school until 48 hours after the last bout. This is to help stop the spread of infection.

Videos on Google Classroom for Reception

Our EYFS team has been busy thinking about how to support you with learning at home in these uncertain times. Videos have been uploaded onto Google Classroom to show the importance of letter formation, how to sound out and blend when reading, dough disco, and handwriting patterns. We hope that you will find these useful and please do let us know if there is anything we can show via a video.

This week we have uploaded a video about representing numbers in different ways and why this is a vital step in your child's mathematical development.

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisory Assistant. If you are interested in this role, please speak to Mrs Qureshi or Mrs Mudd in the playground or email into the admin address.

Environment Award

The winner this week is Juniper Class, well done for keeping your classroom and cloakroom area neat, tidy and well organised!

Attendance for the Week

Class	Red <95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Apple			99.3
Ash	93.1		
Beech			100
Cypress		95.5	
Elm			100
Fir			99.0
Holly			99.3
Juniper			96.0
Larch		95.2	
Maple			100
Oak	94.9		
Pine			97.9
Rowan			97.0
Spruce			96.9
Willow			96.7

Well done to Beech, Elm and Maple Classes with 100% attendance last week.

Where children are required to take a COVID test due to symptoms, or to self-isolate because someone in their household is having a test, they are marked with a special code on the register, which does not impact on their attendance figures.

FOTW Pumpkin Carving Competition

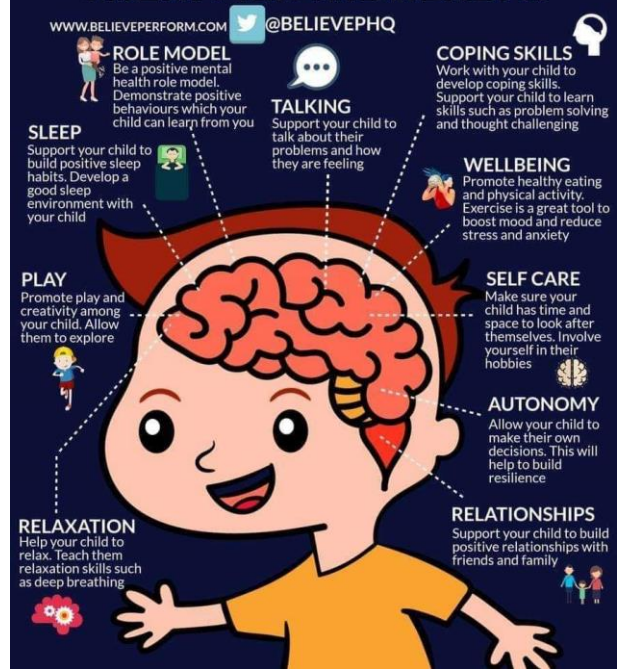
You will have received a ParentMail earlier this week with details of how to enter our first virtual fundraiser for the school. There are three age categories - Early Years (Nursery and Reception), Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) and Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6).

Entry is £2 on ParentMail, then get your children to carve their pumpkins and you can upload a photo onto our Friends of Tanners Wood Facebook page.

Like your favourite pumpkin pictures and the one with the most likes in each age group by midday on Sunday 1st November will win the £10 Amazon voucher prize which will be emailed out to parents at the earliest opportunity. There will be a runner up in each category who will win a £5 voucher. So get carving!



10 WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD LOOK AFTER THEIR MENTAL HEALTH



Moor Park Fun Run

Usually in October, a charity running event is held at Moor Park but due to COVID-19, they are unable to run it at the venue and have changed it to a virtual fun run event – 10k, 5k, 2k or 1k.

The virtual event will help raise money for Mount Vernon Cancer Centre and the Lynda Jackson MacMillan Centre where "just £35 could fund one complimentary therapy session to help ease the side effects a patient can experience during cancer treatment."

If you would like to take part during half term and help raise money for this charity, please visit their website:

<https://activetrainingworld.co.uk/project/moor-park-virtual-10k-fun-runs/> for more details.

Mrs Coe and her family will be running the 5k event next week and it would be great if pupils, parents and staff members at Tanners Wood could join in either the 10k, 5k, 2k or 1k events. When booking, you can only buy 3 tickets at one time.

We look forward to hearing how you got on! Good luck!

Mrs Coe (PE Leader and PPA Teacher)

