

Requesting a Covid Test

We really appreciate parents being vigilant about symptoms and this is a really important way to keep our community safe. **Parents must report the results of a test as soon as you are able before you send your child back into school.** Please do this by phoning the school office. We understand the delays being experienced at present with requesting tests but it is vital that we continue to act on all suspected symptoms in order to protect our whole school community.

If we have a confirmed case of COVID-19 in school all parents will be informed in a timely manner with the resulting actions. This may be certain groups of children being sent home to isolate and begin remote learning or that children are able to attend as normal.

There should not be any stigma attached to anyone who is doing the right thing and remaining at home with suspected symptoms until test results are known – any of us might come into contact with the virus as we go about our daily activities. This is also the same for staff and their families. Please remember that children and staff may be off school for a number of reasons and that school will report anything needed to you when necessary.

Bikes and Scooters

We know that many of our children enjoy coming to school on their bike or scooter. Unfortunately at the moment due to the different entrances and exits being used it is not possible for us to open up our usual storage for them if children wish to leave them here during the day. We ask you please to take any of these home with you if your child uses one to travel to school. Our storage facilities will be opened up again as soon as we are able to.

Microsoft Teams

Next week your child will be introduced to MS teams during the week. Staff will be showing them how to communicate on this and the different functions. By the end of the week we will have also sent out a parents user guide and login details for your child in their home school link books. This is in preparation for use for any further home learning periods and also for setting homework from now on.

Homework

Your child's first homework will be set using Microsoft Teams on Thursday 1st October. Full details will be shared on how to complete and submit this via this platform. Your child will have a homework book that they will bring home on this date which can be used to record the homework in if they prefer this method. A photograph of this page in the book can then be uploaded onto MS teams to submit the work without having to bring the book into school. All homework is set on a Thursday and then due in on the following Tuesday.

Behaviour

Our school behaviour policy is very much now running as usual. Building relationships with all our children is the key principal along with consistency from everyone. We have three responsibilities that all members of the school keep and demonstrate:

- Be ready
- Be respectful
- Be safe

We focus on the positives with children earning dojos working towards individual, class and house rewards. There is also a tiered level of sanctions when a child does not keep their responsibilities. For further information on this please see the full policy on our website in the policies section. Due to COVID restrictions we have also produced a behaviour guidelines sheet to explain how we are operating behaviour in the current situation. A copy of this is attached to the newsletter.

Hot Dinners

Please book in advance for your school dinner using the t2p app or your school money account. If you make any changes please ensure that you check out, our meals are no longer cooked on site and we cannot always guarantee that there will be a spare meal.

HHH Lottery

Did you know that Havelock Schools have a Lottery? All our profit goes to our school and there is a guaranteed prize to someone on the supported list and a further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw every week. Start supporting now for only £1 per week! www.YourSchoolLottery.co.uk and search for Havelock.

INFANTS

Reception

This week we are looking at the nursery rhyme **Row, row, row the boat.** The video can be found through this link <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-row-row-row-your-boat/zjp7kmn>
Enjoy singing this with your child at home.

Year 1

All children should now have their phonics packs to help support their learning. These can be kept at home. Many thanks.

Admissions – Primary and Junior School Applications

If your child lives in Northamptonshire, from 10 September 2020, you can make an application for a:

- primary school place for September 2021 if your child has their 4th birthday between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021
- junior school place for September 2021 if your child has their 7th birthday between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 and is in year 2 at an infant school

If your child is already at primary school and wishes to move to a different school, you will need to [make an in-year application](#) instead. Applications can be made online [here](#).

The closing date for applications will be 5pm on 15 January 2021.

JUNIORS

Secondary school - year 7 intake

You should apply for a place at a secondary school if your child lives in Northamptonshire and has their 11th birthday between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 (year 6 in primary school). Applications can be made online [here](#)

The opening date for applications is 10 September 2020 and the closing date is 5pm on 31 October 2020.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Please remember that Sam Foster is available as the Parent Link Worker for you to contact with any concerns or queries. She is on the main infants playground at drop off and pick up times and can be reached via email SaFoster@havelockschools.org.uk or by phone 01536760361