

Howes Primary School Newsletter: 6th November 2020

Poppy Appeal



Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the poppy appeal by donating towards items in school.



Next Friday the schools Council are inviting everyone to come to school wearing something yellow, brown, spotty or sports clothing. We are asking for a donation on £1 for wearing non uniform which will be split between the Poppy Appeal and Children in Need.

Dates for your diary



12th November
Individual Photographs



13th November



16th- 20th November
Anti-bullying Week



14th December
Nasal Flu Spray for Reception to Year 6



As the playground is generally wet at this time of year and will become icy as we move into winter, we recommend that all children wear sensible, flat footwear during the school day and not heeled boots or shoes.

Please can we remind all families that dogs are not permitted on the school site including where being carried by a member of the family.

COVID-19

With Coventry moving to tier 2 and the country going into lockdown we have made a few changes to our procedures in school:

- Each class is working as an individual bubble and the children from HIU are now working with their classes for the whole day.
- Oak class and Maple class are now eating in their classroom at lunchtime and not in the hall.
- Staff in school are wearing face coverings when moving around the building.

Please ensure that you wear a face covering (where not exempt) at the beginning and the end of the school day.

Your child must be fit and well to attend school. If you suspect that they have symptoms of COVID-19, they must not attend school. If you suspect that they have COVID-19 symptoms, please inform us straight away.

We ask that you inform us if your child and/or family are being tested for Covid-19. Children not attend school if they are waiting for a test result.

Staff will use the school phone number 02476 411711 to call home. Please ensure that you answer these calls as it could be an emergency.

Please make sure that you check through our remote learning guidance as sent home on 22.10.2020. It is also available on our website:

<https://howesprimary.co.uk/news-events/covid-19/>

Head Bumps

It is current procedure to send a bumped head letter home to all children who bump their head during the school day, however small the bump might be.

With immediate effect we will no longer be sending a letter but replacing this with an email advising you of

the accident. We request that you respond to the email to confirm that you have received, read and understand the information that it contains.

Please ensure that we have the correct email address for you, if you are unsure please contact the school office.



On Thursday 12th November the children will be having individual photographs taken.

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, we will not be able to offer any family grouped photographs this year.

Only individual photographs will be taken.

Please can we ask that all children wear a coat to school. As we need to ensure that we have good ventilation in school by keeping some windows and doors open, having a coat means that if a child is feeling cold they are able to put an extra layer on. (Staff are doing the same too).



Having a named coat in school also means that the children are able to go outside at both playtime and lunchtime for some fresh air.

14th- 18th December
Christmas Craft days



15th December
Christmas Jumper/T Shirt Day



15th December
Christmas Dinner



18th December
End of term



19th December – 3rd January
Christmas Holidays



Friends Of Howes

We are really lucky that the Friends of Howes support us in raising money to support school trips and develop areas of the school.

If you think that you can help the FOH in any way they would love to hear from you. Please speak to Shona Orchard or Laura Grant or leave a message with the school office and we will pass your name onto them.

This half term the FOH have two more exciting events:

Elfridges



Elfridges letters have been sent home this week. Please return your order form by Thursday 26th November.

A Christmas raffle



More details to follow – watch this space!



Spring Term Dates

First Half Term:
Monday 4th January to Friday
12th February

Half Term Holiday: Monday 15th
February to Friday 19th
February

Second Half Term:
Monday 22nd February to
Thursday 1st April

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You can also find us on Facebook



If you need to contact school, please do so in person, by email or telephone.

Howes@howes.coventry.sch.uk

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Summer Term Dates

First Half Term:
Monday 19th April to Friday 28th May

Bank Holiday:
Monday 3rd May
SCHOOL CLOSED

INSET WEEK:
Monday 24th May to Friday 28th May SCHOOL CLOSED
Half Term Holiday: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June
SCHOOL CLOSED

Second Half Term:
Monday 7th June to Wednesday 21st July

Road Safety

As the clocks have now gone back making the mornings slightly lighter and evenings darker, we have been reminding the children about being safe when crossing roads. If you would like more information about activities that children can complete or key messages that you can share with your children then please visit:

<https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/>

Please could we ask all drivers to take care when driving around the roads near to school.

Can we also remind parents not to park on or drop children off on the school markings at Palermo and Dillotford Avenue, in the privately owned residents parking bays on Crediton Close or across resident's driveways, thank you.



Admissions

We would like to remind parents with children in Nursery of the following closing date for applications for Reception:

15th January 2021

Attendance and Lateness

Thank you for ensuring that your children attend school as much as possible as the pandemic continues.

Class	Attendance		Lateness	
	Last Week	This week	Last Week	This week
Fir class	88.6%	91.3%	0	0
Oak Class	98.8%	97.8%	2	1
Ash Class	98.6%	97.35%	2	1
Beech Class	99%	100%	1	0
Cedar Class	97.8%	100%	1	2
Maple Class	95.2%	92.3%	1	0
Willow Class	94.8%	96.5%	0	0
	96.6%	97%	7	4

Thank you for working with us to ensure that your children arrive and leave at their allocated time:

Group 1 8:45am – 3pm

Group 2 9am- 3:15pm