



Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

08.10.21

Dear Drayton Families,

Through our analysis of the Covid cases that we have experienced in school so far and working closely with our local schools, it is clearly apparent that many cases are occurring as the result of transmission within the family home, particularly between siblings.

As a result, we are making a slight change to our **recommended** actions for parents:

1. Child in household tests **positive** for Covid:

- If a child in the household tests positive (via LFD or PCR), siblings should not attend school either and should get a PCR test to check if they have the virus (PCR tests are much better at picking up the early stages of infection).
- If sibling tests negative on the PCR test, they can return to school. Parents should keep children separate as much as possible, observe closely for symptoms and, if possible, conduct regular LFD tests for those in the home 12 years and over.

2. Child in the household has **symptoms** of Covid:

- If a child in the household has symptoms, sibling can come to school as long as they are symptom-free.
- If child 1's PCR test comes back as positive, sibling should not attend school either and should get a PCR test to check if they have the virus.

3. Parent in the household tests **positive** for Covid

- If a parent has tested positive, child(ren) can attend school as normal as evidence shows that adults are able to maintain distance more effectively.
- Parent should keep separate from children as much as possible, observe closely for symptoms and, if possible, conduct regular LFD tests for those in the home 12 years and over.

These are recommendations that we are giving all our families, based on evidence, to help prevent the spread of the virus in school and refrain from large scale disruption for children and families. Please do speak to us if necessary if/when you find yourself in any of these situations.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs. Sarah Hutt
Acting Partnership Headteacher

Golden Acorn Award










Our School values






Who has been brilliant at demonstrating our school values this week?

This week we have started to give out Golden Acorn Awards for children that have demonstrated our school values really well. These awards will be given out every Monday during our weekly values assembly. Well done to everyone who received an award this week.



	<p>Remember to follow us on social media</p> <p>Facebook @draytoncommunityinfantschool</p> <p>Twitter @drayton_infant</p>
	<p>Message from Friends of DCIS:</p> <p>Children are welcome to wear any outfit and have face painting but please ensure it is child friendly theme. May we ask children not to bring any props to the disco. Thank you.</p>
<p>School Photos</p>	<p>School Photos are being taken on Friday. Please send your child to school in their uniform. Please bring in PE kit if your child has PE on Friday</p>
	<p>For autumn activities galore, this link has 101 activities for both children and adults. Perfect for weekends or October Half Term. https://www.thepurplepumpkinblog.co.uk/101-things-to-do-in-autumn/</p> <p>Post any photos or videos on 'Tapestry' or 'Seesaw' to share them with your teachers.</p>
	<p><u>Community litter picking</u></p> <p>We are proud to see how the children care for their environment in their local area by helping to clear up litter. If you would like to join in with organised litter picking you can visit: https://www.facebook.com/groups/taverhamdraytonlitterpickers</p> <p>They have an event this Saturday 9th October (advance booking required): https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/taverham-litter-pick-saturday-9th-october-2021-tickets-180082620967?fbclid=IwAR020b5cU5uSa-KJMpGd8M9zME-AJWaKoh8jOcNH0xAQJSMh-0o_uWL_HfK</p> <p>We would love to see any photos of your community or beach litter picking on Tapestry (year R) or Seesaw (years 1 and 2).</p> <p>Miss Yaxley Eco-school's coordinator</p>

Learning taking place in our classes this week!	
  	<p>This week we have been thinking about Autumn. We have looked carefully at the world around us and how it is changing. We have explored the differences between the seasons. Thank you for all of the hard work you did by gathering all of your Autumn items for homework. We have used these to create Autumn pictures, playdough creations and sorting. We also used our natural resources to create pictures and sculptures in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. He is a land artist who uses only natural materials. We also listened to a piece of music called "Autumn" by Vivaldi. We talked about what type of music it was and drew how it made us feel. We have been on Autumn walks and explored different types of leaf and trees. We have learnt lots of new Autumn songs including Big Red Combine Harvester.</p> <p>In Maths, we have continued to practice subitising groups of objects to 3. This is where we can see how many objects there are without counting them. We are getting very good at this. We have also talked about 2D shapes including circle, triangle, square and rectangle. We have talked about how we know they are those shapes and used mathematical words such as side, corner, same, different and length.</p>
	<p>This week we have been read more of our story 'The Last Wolf.' We went on a woodland walk outside and used our senses to think of adjectives to describe natural resources and our environment. These adjectives were added to group word banks and used to create poems, which we performed in our classes. The children are all very excited to find out the ending of our story next week!</p>

 	<p>In maths we have been using concrete and pictorial representations to support us with adding 1-digit numbers. We have been exploring more fairy tales and looked at Brother's Grimm in history. We spoke about our favourite traditional tale that they had written and made a class tally chart. We have looked at evergreen and deciduous trees. In geography, we have continued to look at maps and made our own jigsaw map of the school. We went outside to support us in drawing the missing part on our map.</p>
  	<p>This week, we have been retelling the story of 'Pattan's Pumpkin' and using storyboards and story maps to sequence the events of the story. The children have remembered the main events and the language used by the author to tell the story. We have all really enjoyed reading this text!</p> <p>In maths we received a letter from the story character Pattan! He has been very busy harvesting fruit in Kerela, India, and he wanted our help to count it. We showed Pattan that counting in ones is not always the easiest way. We put objects into arrays with equal rows and columns to help us count in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s. We then recorded this as repeated additions before learning how to show these as multiplications.</p>

<div>September 2021</div> <div>October 2021</div> <div>November 2021</div> <div>December 2021</div>	Dates for the Diary	
<div>September 2021</div> <div>October 2021</div> <div>November 2021</div> <div>December 2021</div>	15.10.2021	School photos Siblings and individuals
<div>January 2022</div> <div>February 2022</div> <div>March 2022</div> <div>April 2022</div>	25.10.21 - 29.10.21	Half Term
<div>May 2022</div> <div>June 2022</div> <div>July 2022</div> <div>August 2022</div>	15.11.21	Odd socks day to launch Anti-bullying week
<div>September 2022</div> <div>October 2022</div> <div>November 2022</div> <div>December 2022</div>	23.11 & 25.11	Parents Evening Details to follow
<div>January 2023</div> <div>February 2023</div> <div>March 2023</div> <div>April 2023</div>	17.12.21	Last Day of Term
<div>May 2023</div> <div>June 2023</div> <div>July 2023</div> <div>August 2023</div>		



Drayton Community Infant School Reception Open Day

We warmly welcome all prospective parents to our school open day on:

Tuesday 2nd November 5.30-6.30

***Thursday 4th November 3.30-4.30**



Please Note: School visits are by appointment only. Maximum 2 adults with child/ren starting in Reception in 2022. Adults will be required to wear a face covering and remain socially distant while in school.

Please book your place via online form
<https://forms.office.com/r/RWpxmuER6R>