

25th June 2021

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Message from Mr Hiley

As I am sure readers will be aware from various news articles and local information, unfortunately Covid cases both nationally, and locally are once again on the increase. Obviously, this is disappointing news for all of us, however, I would just like to take this opportunity of thanking parents for their support over the past months and also thank them for their continued support as we continue with our fight against Covid.

Earlier this week I sent out a letter to parents highlighting the importance of securing a Covid test if either you, your child, or any member of your family displays any one or more of the main Covid symptoms, a high temperature, a new continuous cough, the loss of taste and/or smell. By way of a reminder, information in the media has confirmed that the new Delta variant of the virus can present more like a cold and/or hay fever with symptoms ranging from a sore throat, a runny nose, sneezing, in some instances an upset tummy and most significantly a persistent headache. As a school we would encourage parents to act on the side of caution if any of these symptoms are being experienced by any member of their family and consider securing a PCR test. By way of a reminder LFD tests are recommended for use in routine community testing and have proved successful in identifying asymptomatic cases within the community. PCR tests can be booked via the following address <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>. Please remember if you have any doubts or concerns then it is best to contact your GP.

Once again, can I please remind parents about the importance of wearing face coverings when both collecting and dropping off children in the school playground. This is particularly important if you want to approach and speak to a member of staff. Thank you.

This year has been particularly difficult for our wonderful fundraising FOBS. However, not to be defeated, a Bag2School fundraiser will be taking place. This is an ideal opportunity to have a good old fashioned clear out of your wardrobe and help to raise all important funds for the school. This week leaflets have been sent home with children giving details about how you can help to raise all important funds for the school. Bag2School will be collecting bags of unwanted men's, ladies' and children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts and accessories

from school on Thursday 8th July 2021 (please no uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets, pieces of fabric or soft toys).

With only a few weeks left until the end of the academic year, class teachers have been working extremely hard carrying out assessments which have allowed them to identify children's inevitable gaps in learning due to school closures over the academic year. Pupil Progress reports will be going home to parents shortly, and while they will accurately reflect the disruption the children have had to their learning we also hope that they will really celebrate the many successes the children have managed to have in this extremely challenging year. Please rest assured that we are all continuing to work extremely hard to support learning and to close any gaps that have been identified. I would like to just take a moment to say a huge thank you to all our wonderful teachers, teaching assistants and other staff in school for their tireless hard work in supporting the children to be the best that they can be.

Next week our final After School Cookery Club sessions will take place. There are still a couple of spaces left – so if your child would like to join in with Cooking Club then please contact Sally in the School Office. Remaining places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Places are priced at £9.00 per child and should be paid for via Parentpay.

Finally, please remember that school closes for the children at 1.30pm on the last day of term, Friday 24th July 2021.

Have a lovely weekend. Stay safe.

Mr T Hiley

Interim Headteacher

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Menu Choices : Autumn Term 2021

Last week our new lunch Menu for the Autumn 2021 term was sent home with children. If your child will be taking a school meal as from September 2021, can parents please ensure that they complete and return their children's meal choices to the School Office by no later than Monday 19th July 2021. **In line with school Policy,** and as recently re-affirmed at a Governors' Meeting, can we once again, remind parents/carers that, unfortunately, children **cannot change between taking a school meal and bringing a packed lunch to school on a daily basis.** As a school, we do ask that parents/carers commit to ordering school meals on a half-termly basis. Naturally, there are exceptions when a child who usually brings a packed lunch will need to order a meal in an emergency situation, and this can be accommodated. Likewise, if your child would like to try a school meal, or take a meal once per week, then they are welcome to join in with Fun Day Friday which is available EVERY Friday at school. Meals can be ordered during registration

New Nursery Starters

Can we please remind parents of children who will be joining our Nursery provision in September 2021 to complete and return all necessary paperwork by no later than **2nd July 2021.** Information about a parent Zoom meeting will be e-mailed out to parents during the week commencing 5th July 2021.

Parentpay

As the end of the school year quickly approaches, can we just ask that parents ensure that their Parentpay accounts are up to date. This is especially important for those children in year 6 who will be leaving us in July. Any balances that are in 'CREDIT' at the end of the school year can either be refunded, rolled over, or transferred to another service.

Cleatop Woods Visit

Just a quick reminder that if you have not already done so, can you please consider making a contribution of £2.00 towards the cost of transport on Parentpay for the visit to Cleatop Woods that children in years 2 and 3 recently took part in. Thank you.

Lateral Flow Test

Lateral Flow Tests for regular and routine testing are now available to everyone and have proven to help in the fight against Covid. Tests can be ordered at

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>.

If you are struggling to secure an LFD kit, then please get in touch with the school as we may be able to help.

Did you know....

Music lessons are once again available for children at school. For more information, please contact the Music Service.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-music-service>
01609 534795

A few important pieces of information for week beginning 28th June 2021.

PE

Nursery – Tuesday

Class 1 – Friday

Class 2 – Tuesday and Friday

Class 3 – Monday and Tuesday

Class 4 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Class 5 – Tuesday and Thursday

Tuesday 29th June 2021 - 3.30pm – 4.30pm After School Tennis Club (pre-booked Class 2)

Wednesday 30th June 2021 - 3.30pm – 4.30pm Jigsaw Club for invited children

Thursday 1st July 2021 - 3.30pm to 4.30pm After School Cooking Club (week 1 of 3).

Friday 2nd July 2021 - Fun Day Friday :

Breaded Fish

Cheese and Tomato Pasta

Jacket Potato

Marble Berry Sponge with Chocolate Sauce

Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

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Year 6 Leavers' Party

Henry and Mia's Mum, Lydia has kindly arranged a 'Happy Leavers' Party' for children in years 5 and 6. This will take place on the **23rd July 2021** from **4.00pm** on **Bentham Playing Fields**. Parents of children in these classes are also very welcome to attend with children. There will be milkshakes and cakes available to purchase, together with a BBQ. Lydia has asked if parents could please let her know as quickly as possible if and who will be joining in with this celebration by contacting her on 07463 133617. Also, if you are free and would like to help Lydia out at the party, any help would be appreciated.

Please note, this is a privately organised event so if you have any questions about it, please direct them to Lydia or contact school where we will be happy to pass your questions on.

Lune Valley JFC We have been contacted by Lune Valley JFC who are currently seeking talented year 4 footballers. If you are a boy or girl and are looking to play for a local club, then this might just be the opportunity you are looking for.....

Please contact either Mark 07855 815450 or Tim on 07968 104993



LUNE VALLEY JFC

U10s PRE SEASON TRIAL FOR 2021-22 SEASON

We are looking for talented year 4 footballers (DoB between 1st Sep'11 - 31st Aug' 2012) to join our current U9's team moving up to U10's for the 2021-22 season!

Lune Valley are a well established and successful junior football club.

We play in the Lancaster and Morcambe Junior League and our home games are at Station Field Caton.

We train weekly on Astro and grass.

Our FA qualified coaches follow the 'England DNA' to nurture our players and allow them to fulfil their potential.

Next Trials:
Sunday 4th July, 13:00 - 15:00 @ Station Field Caton
Saturday 31st July 10:30 - 12:30 @ Station Field Caton

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