

#### <u>Newsletter - 07/12/20</u>

#### <u>Learning this week:</u>

This week, we are starting our Christmas theme. The children will be making Christmas decorations, wrapping up presents and decorating our Christmas tree. We have also written a letter to Father Christmas so we will be going on a walk, to the post box, to deliver it.



Talk to your child about:

- Why do we have Christmas?
- How do you celebrate Christmas at home?

#### Wonderful Word of the Week:

Our wonderful word this week is 'Advent'



Talk to your child about:

- \*What does advent mean?
  - \* What is an advent calendar?
- \* What number on the advent calendar is it today?

#### Makaton Sign of the Week:

Our Makaton sign of the week is 'play'.

Watch Mrs Whitehead demonstrate how to sign the word on our website (home learning) and Facebook page.

#### Focus Story

The children will be reading the Nativity story this week. You can listen to it being read, by a member of staff, on our website (learning zone) and on our Facebook page.



Talk to your child about:

- What is the nativity story about?
- Who is in the story?



#### Focus Song

This week our focus song is 'Cobbler, Cobbler Mend My Shoe...' from the theme, 'People who help us.' Sing along with Mrs Auld on our Website and Facebook page. The older children will be focussing on the rhyme in the song.

#### Forest School

Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for forest school as the weather turns cold. They need a jumper, warm coat and extra socks.

#### <u>IPads</u>

We have our iPads out on a Wednesday and Thursday for the children to play on if they wish. Each week there is a different app to use. This week's app is 'Busy Bundle.'

#### Movie Monday

Each Monday, we put a movie on for the children which they can choose to watch if they wish. This week we are watching 'Snowman.'

#### <u>Poetry Basket</u>

In our poetry basket this week is the 'Breezy Weather' poem. The words are on the website for you to share with your child at home.

#### Enchantment

This week, we are having some work done in our garden. The children have loved watching, at the window, the workmen using the digger and the chainsaw! It has been very exciting and is fitting for our 'People who help us' theme. We will put some building toys out in our construction area.

#### <u>Christmas Festivities</u>

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, we will have to cancel our 'Christmas Sing Along.' However, we will still be learning lots of Christmas songs and having lots of Christmas fun. We will be using alternative ways to share this with you. Further details will follow.

#### Christmas Jumper Day

Children can come to nursery in a Christmas Jumper on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**. This is a charity event, for 'Save the Children,' if you would like to make a small donation.



#### <u>Christmas Party Day</u>

Our Christmas party will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Children can come dressed up in their party clothes.

#### <u>Christmas Cards</u>

If children want to bring in Christmas cards for their friends, please do so by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. This will give us time to quarantine them and then they will be given out to the children on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Primary School Places

For those children going to primary school in September, remember the deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. If you require any further assistance, visit <a href="http://www.gov.uk/apply-for-primary-school-place">www.gov.uk/apply-for-primary-school-place</a>

#### Home Library

Please remember to return your library books each week.

All books will go into quarantine for 72 hours when they have been returned and disinfected before going back into the library.

<u>Library Days:</u>

Monday – Ducklings & Ladybirds Tuesday – Butterflies & Caterpillars Wednesday – Nurture Children

#### <u>Parent Governor</u>

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in becoming a parent governor please contact the Headteacher - <u>head@ightenhill-nur.lancs.sch.uk</u>

Thank you for your continued support. Please read the COVID reminders below. Mrs. Daniels-Green Headteacher Acting Head Teacher





# COVID-19

### Drop Off

- Drop off time is between 8:45a.m. 8:55a.m. (Morning session) and 12:30.p.m.-12:40p.m. (Afternoon session).
- We ask that only one adult brings your child.
- You will not be permitted to enter the nursery building. If you need to see Mrs. Fletcher, she is at the bottom of the path.
- If there is a reason you need to enter the building you will be asked to wear a face covering.
- 3-4 years: parents will take their child round to the cloakroom and a member of staff will take them into nursery.
- 2 years: parents will take their child to the nurture entrance and a member of staff will take them into nursery.
- A member of staff will be at the entrance to direct you.
- Please socially distance along the pavement until you are asked to enter the nursery grounds.
- The 2 years line up on the right and 3-4 years on the left. There are signs to show you where to line up.
- You will be directed into nursery one at a time.
- Please keep to the left and socially distance along the paths around nursery.

## **Collection Times**

Morning Sessions:

- We ask that only one adult collects your child.
- Morning Session Doors will open from 11:35 11:45 a.m.
- Afternoon Session Doors will be open from 3:15p.m. 3:30 p.m.
- 3-4 years: you will meet your child at the cloak room.
- 2 years: you will meet your child at the Rainbow Room (nurture) entrance.
- Please socially distance along the pavement until you are asked to enter the nursery grounds.
- The 2 years line up on the right and 3-4 years on the left. There are signs to show you where to line up.
- You will be directed into nursery one at a time.
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#### <u>Government Advice for Parents/ Carers</u>

# What should I do if my child or someone in my household has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)?

It's important that if your child (or anyone in their household) has any coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, they should not attend their nursery or childminder and should stay at home. You should arrange for them to get a test and tell your nursery or childminder the test results. This will help the NHS Test and Trace process. If you have a positive test result, your household should remain at home and follow the Test and Trace self-isolation guidance.

#### COVID-19 Symptoms

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste.

# What happens if another child at the same nursery or childminder tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)?

If your child has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), you will be asked to make sure they isolate for 14 days. Other members of the household would only need to isolate if your child started developing symptoms. Anyone who has symptoms can get a test, including children under 5.

If there was a positive case for COVID-19 within nursery, children and staff would have to self-isolate for 14 days. Unfortunately, this would be at short notice as we have to take immediate action if we receive a positive test result. Parents will be informed via Facebook, our nursery school website and a letter sent via email.

#### Guidance NHS Test and Trace: how it works

The government has provided an overview of the NHS Test and Trace service, including what happens if you test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or have had close contact with someone who has tested positive. Please follow the link below: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#people-who-develop-</u> <u>symptoms-of-coronavirus</u>



#### **COVID 19- Quick Reference Guide for Parents**

What to do if	Action needed	
		Return to school when
My child has Covid-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	• The test is negative and your child is
symptoms:	Contact the school as soon as	feeling well (NB - if your child still has
High temperature- this	possible	symptoms and feels unwell, it is better
means feels hot to the	Arrange a test	to keep them at home until they feel
touch on the chest or	<ul> <li>Stay at home along with the</li> </ul>	better)
back (you do not need to	whole household, including	
measure your	siblings, until you receive the	
temperature)	result	
<ul> <li>A new continuous cough -</li> </ul>	INFORM SCHOOL	
this means coughing a lot	IMMEDIATELY WHEN YOU	
for more than an hour or	RECEIVE THE TEST RESULT	
three or more persistent		
coughing episodes in 24		
hours		
<ul> <li>A loss or change to your</li> </ul>		
sense of smell or taste -		
this means you've noticed		
•		
you cannot smell or taste		
anything, or things taste		
or smell different to		
normal		
Most people with coronavirus		
have at least one of these		
symptoms.		
My Child tests positive for	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	Return to school after 10 days even if
Covid-19	Contact school as soon as possible	they have a cough or loss of taste/smell.
	and inform the office.	These symptoms can last for several
	Agree an earliest date for possible	weeks.
	return. Minimum absence of 10	
	days required. Self-isolate the	
	whole household for 14 days.	
	Independent Health Risk	
	Assessment	
	Bubble may be asked to self-	
	isolate and remote learning will	
	commence immediately.	
	Your child can return after 10 days	
	even if they have a cough or loss	
	of taste/smell. These symptoms	
	can last for some time.	
My Child tosts reactive	CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss	The test somet back resetive
My Child tests negative		The test comes back negative.
	when your child can come back to	
AA 1 11 1 1 11 11 11	school (same day/next day)	
My child is ill with symptoms	FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL	After 48hrs following the last bout of
not linked to covid-19	ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE	sickness/diarrhea if this is the cause of
		absence
Someone in my household has	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.	The tests for the whole household are
covid-19 symptoms	Contact school as soon as possible.	negative.
	Household members must get	
	tested. INFORM SCHOOL	
	IMMEDIATLEY ABOUT TEST	
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	RESULTS.	
Someone in my household	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.	Your child has completed 14 days of
tests positive for covid-19	Contact school as soon as possible.	isolation and is well.
	Agree an earliest date for possible	
	return - this will be a minimum of	
	14 days later.	
NHS Test and Trace has	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	Your child has completed 14 days of
identified my child has been in	AND CONTACT US	isolation and is well.
close contact with someone	IMMEDIATELY.	
with confirmed Covid-19	Agree an earliest date for possible	
	return – this will be a minimum of	
	14 days later.	
We/my child has travelled and	Do not take unauthorised leave in	The quarantine period of 14 days has been
has to self-isolate as a period	term time. Consider quarantine	completed
of quarantine.	requirements and FCO advice when	
	booking international travel.	
	Returning from a destination	
	where quarantine is needed:	
	Agree an earliest date for possible	
	return. Minimum of 14 days from	
	return date. Self-isolate the whole	
	household.	
We have received medical	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.	School inform you that restrictions have
advice that my child must	Contact school as soon as possible.	been lifted and your child can return to
resume shielding	Shield until you are informed that	school.
	restrictions are lifted and	
	shielding is paused again.	
My child's bubble is closed due	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.	School will inform you when the bubble will
to a covid-19 outbreak in	At home, support your child with	be reopened.
school.	online learning provided by the	
	school. Your child will need to	
	isolate for 14 days.	

Please contact nursery if you have any queries or concerns.

