

FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

Covid Update

As you will have heard from the news there have been changes to the Government Covid regulations. There is however no change to Government Covid Guidance in terms of pupils or staff who have symptoms or test positive. Please find attached a document detailing the current national Guidance.

In line with the above guidance and North Yorkshire local authority risk assessments we will still;

- Require children who display symptoms to be collected by parents and recommend that they take a PCR test.
- Isolate children with symptoms in school until a parent can collect.
- Expect children/staff to remain at home until two negative tests after day five or ten day's isolation whichever comes soonest.

We appreciate your support with this as it allows us to limit the spread of infection and therefore keep staffing at a level where we can keep school open.

PE Enhancement Day

On **Tuesday 15th March** all children in **Years 1-6** will be taking part in our termly PE Enhancement day. This is taking place at Stillington Sports Club, children from Terrington and Foston will be taken across by bus, which will leave school after registration. Children will be returned to their own school for the usual pick-up time. All Year 1-6 children should wear a suitable outdoor PE kit and bring their own water bottle.

Nursery and Reception children will remain at their individual schools. There will be **NO hot school dinners** on this day for everyone, packed lunches of sandwiches will be provided. The children still need to come to school dressed in their P.E. kits as they will be completing some different P.E. games at school. Please can **ALL** parents fill in the forms questionnaire on the following [link](#) for each child, by **Tuesday 8th March** so that we can determine who requires a school packed lunch and what sandwich filling they would prefer. If you do not want a school packed lunch please provide your child with one as there will be no other option on this day.

The staff are looking forward to all three schools coming together again and learning some new skills and having lots of fun.

Fantastic Friday!

The children across school LOVED having the opportunity to come to school dressed in their bright carnival clothing and enjoyed joining in with the 'Encanto' inspired Zumba. It was great to see the children concentrating hard to try and remember the different dance moves and sequences. There was definitely some great dance moves shown!



Nursery & Reception

Throughout the next half term the children in Nursery and Reception will be learning about the topic of 'Spring'. We will be focussing on the different signs of spring around us and the life cycle of a butterfly - even caring for and looking after our very own caterpillars! The children will also be completing some planting exploring how a seed grows and changes when it has sunlight and water. We will be reading the story 'What the Ladybird Heard' discussing what it is like on a farm, maps and the animals and their young that we can find there.

To begin our PSHE learning for this half term about 'healthy lifestyles' we discussed the importance of washing our hands properly. The children covered their hands in flour and we explored how quickly the flour (and germs) can be spread around the room before washing our hands thoroughly for 20 seconds.

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Years 1 & 2

We have a lovely first week back in year 1 and 2. We started our new topic on plants this week and will be following the progress of our own seeds across the half term. We spoke about the things that plants need to survive and are going to try to grow our own bean, courgettes and wildflowers across the next few weeks. We had lots of fun choosing out our seeds and learning how to pot them.

We also had an amazing, fantastic Friday on the final week. We made some incredible carnival masks which we were all super proud of!



Years 3 & 4

What a fantastic end we had last half term with us enjoying a very fun filled Encanto themed day. The children loved watching the movie, with a couple of our children hosting their own quiz, making masks and finally finished off with a great Encanto Zumba session.

This half term we have a new book which the title of will be a big secret for a couple of weeks, allowing the children to make their own minds up about what they think it might be from clues within the text and illustrations.

Our focus in Science is light and dark and for our Geography we are learning all about Rainforests with our big question 'How can we help retain our rainforests?'

'What do Christians learn from the Creation Story?' is what we are learning about in Religious Education lessons, and in DT we are really thinking about nature with a big design and build, creating our very own bug hotels.

Finally PSHE has us looking at keeping a healthy mind and body and learning what things we can do to help us stay healthy.

All this is going to keep us very busy!



Years 5 & 6

This week we began to explore our new book 'Mama Miti', the story is based in Kenya so we are preparing a fact file about Kenya looking at everything from people and food to climate and wildlife.

We also had a visit from the author Karen Langtree to celebrate World Book Day 2022, the class enjoyed a reading session and a wonderful writing workshop with Karen!

Religious Education

Could children in KS2 (Years 3/4/5 & 6) please bring in something they have made either at home or at school that they are really proud of for our RE lesson next week.

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NYCC Healthy Packed Lunches

A healthy packed lunch will give children the energy and nutrition they need to get the most from their school day – helping them to stay healthy, feel good and be ready and able to learn. Please find attached a leaflet from North Yorkshire County Council detailing tips and ideas.

Afterschool Club

Clubs are returning to normal from Monday 7th March, please see details below of activities available each day. **If you would like your child to attend afterschool club please can you contact the office, priority will be given to those who regularly use club due to work commitments.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mr Marshall	Total Sports	Mr Marshall	Mrs Cooke	Mr Falkingham
Coding With Scratch	PE	Quiz Club	Cooking	PE

Diary Dates 2022

15th March	Sports Enhancement Day
29th March 5pm – 7pm	Parents' Evening (all children)
31st March 3:30pm – 5pm	Parents' Evening (all children)
2nd April	PAFFS Spring/Easter Event
7th April 2.30pm	Easter Service, Foston Church