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Welcome back and thank you

As we settle into a new school year, I would like to thank you for your continued support. As you will know, many of the measures that were in place during the last school year, such as bubbles, are no longer required in school, however we are continuing to operate measures which ensure that we keep everyone safe in school, we are still working hard to keep our classrooms as COVID safe as possible, and we need your support to do this.

Firstly, should your child be showing any symptoms of Covid 19 can you please book them in for a PCR test and keep them at home until you receive your results.

Although children no longer need to isolate if another member of their household tests positive, can I remind you that a person who has tested positive should not be leaving their house to bring their child to school. If you are in a situation where all adults in the house are positive and want to discuss options, then please contact us directly.

We will continue to encourage children to exercise good hand hygiene in school and I would ask you to reaffirm this at home, it really is our best defence against not only COVID but the other winter viruses that are circulating at this time.

Rates of Covid 19 in Doncaster are currently high and above the England average. While rates are high, your child may wish to use a face covering when moving around indoors on the school site. Remember that face coverings are still required if children travel to school by public transport or school transport.

We are continuing to work closely with the Public Health team locally, should rates locally start to rise to a worrying level or should the school experience an outbreak we will be taking advice from Doncaster Public Health colleagues on the best way to manage this.

Parent Discussion Days

As you will be aware from the information sent to you in July 2021 about the reopening of schools in September, we want to still have the opportunity to meet with you as a family but we are not able to undertake this in the same way that we have done in previous years due to the current guidelines we are operating under to keep everyone safe and school open.

We are holding a telephone discussion each parent to provide an opportunity to update you about the progress your child has made during the course of the academic year so far and enable the teacher to discuss and share with you specific targets for improvement. We would really value you taking time to take part in this conversation as it will support your child's learning through the year.

Class	Date	Time	Location	Class teachers
Nursery	Monday 4th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Geraghty
C1	Wednesday 6th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Mrs Hildreth/Mrs Wilde
C2	Monday 11th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Mrs Abbott/Miss Gibson
C3	Wednesday 13th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Mrs Geraghty
C4	Tuesday 12th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Mrs McAdams
C5	Tuesday 2 nd November 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Woodward
C6	Wednesday 3 rd November 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Towland
C7	Monday 4th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Mallinson
C8	Wednesday 6th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Mr Hart
C9	Monday 11th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Morrice
C10	Wednesday 13th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Fawcett
C11	Monday 4th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Penn
C12	Wednesday 6th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Kenwright (Mrs Taylor)
C13	Monday 11th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Sutcliffe
C14	Wednesday 13th October 2021	8.00am - 4.00pm	Telephone Call	Miss Stallard



Please help us in keeping your children safe by calling us if your child is not able to come to school so we can mark the register accordingly. If the office is closed you can leave a message anytime of the day or night on our answer machine. If we do not receive notification of an absence we will telephone you. It is also possible we may make a home visit to ensure everyone is ok if we do not hear from you. Any absence we can not give a reason for will be recorded as unauthorised absence. This worked very well last year, thank you for your support.

The purpose of Kingfisher Primary's safeguarding policy is to ensure every child who is a registered pupil at our school is safe and protected from harm.

Mrs Parsons is the Designated Safeguarding Lead along with Miss Skinn. Miss Morrice is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

If your child is going to be absent from school

If your child will not be attending school due to illness please can you make sure you call the school office before 8.50am to let us know the reason why. If you get the answerphone message please leave all your child's details on there, including the reason they are ill. We record all this information on our system so we can pass it on to the attendance officer if needed.

Universal Free School Meals

Please can we remind you that if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they are entitled to receive universal school meals. This is a scheme set up by the Government that offers a free meal to all infant children. The school kitchen serves a wide variety of meals to suit everyone's taste and everyday there are four choices on the school dinner menu including a vegetarian, jacket potato and sandwich choice. If you would like your child to try a school dinner or would like more details, spare copies of the menu and more information are available from the school office.

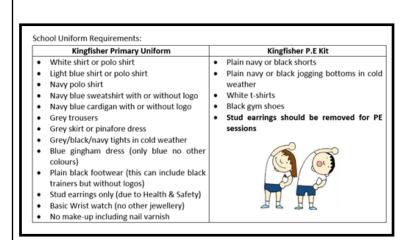
However, even though you are entitled to Universal Free School Meals, if you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals due to your circumstances it is important that you have registered for this as if we are in a position where your child has to learn from home due to local measures linked to Covid, we can then issue you with supermarket vouchers.



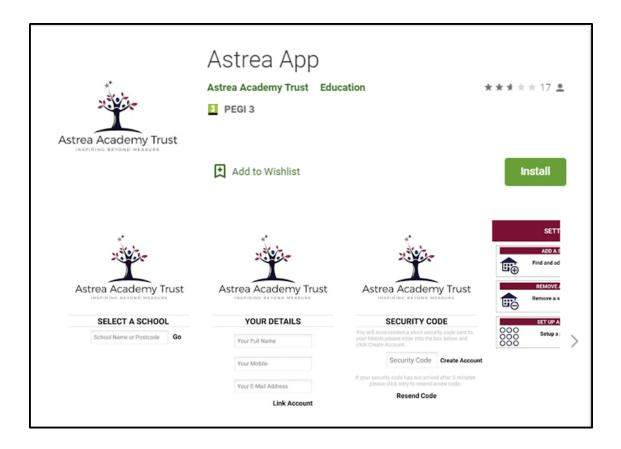
Uniform

As a school we feel that it is important that our children come to school ready to learn and wearing the correct school uniform helps them to do this. The school wishes to promote a sense of pride and belonging in our children and believes that the wearing of a school uniform is one of the ways in which this can be achieved. The uniform is simple and practical, suited to the demands of a primary school education and economically priced.

Thank you to families for ensuring that your children are in the correct uniform each day, walking around school the children look really smart in their uniforms and this helps them in taking pride in all they do.







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