



Tilston Parochial
CE Primary School

Bringing out the Best in Everyone.
'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 9th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your continued support in helping to keep our staff, children and families safe. Could I remind parents to come onto the school yard to collect your child at the end of the day. It is important we keep footpaths clear and make sure children are supervised as they leave the school grounds.



Public Health England

As cases are increasing across Cheshire West and Chester, Public Health England are working closely with school leaders to ensure clear procedures are in place in the event of a positive case. We have clear policies and procedures in place to ensure we can act immediately. Please see below:

If a child or member of staff tests positive, we would work with Public Health to carry out contact tracing. To identify contacts, we use the following criteria:

- Anyone who has had face to face contact with the person
- Anyone who has been within 1 meter for 1 minute (with or without a face covering)
- Anyone who has been in contact less than 2 meters for 15 minutes or more
- Anyone who has been sneezed or coughed on.

We trace back any of the above contacts within a 72 hour period.

Any 'contacts' identified will be contacted by the school and all contacts will need to self-isolate for 14 days.

DFE Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#part-2-people-who-have-had-close-contact-with-someone-who-has-coronavirus>

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We have robust measures in place to ensure bubbles do not mix, these measures will help to limit the number of children and staff needing to self-isolate and therefore minimising any disruption to learning.

- 1) A text message/email would be sent out to all 'contacts' asap to inform you that your child's bubble is closing with immediate effect.
- 2) A letter will be sent out to parents of children in a specific class/bubble with detailed information from Public Health England. I will follow up this letter with a personal phone call to help to reassure you and answer any questions.
- 3) A letter will be sent out to the whole school informing parents of a positive case in school but with the reassurance that Public Health England and The Department of Education do not feel your child is at a greater risk and is strongly encouraged to attend school.

We will not name staff or children in any correspondence.

If we receive notification of a positive case, we will close that bubble immediately.

Please consider the added risks when mixing with different households as you could be identified as a contact and need to self-isolate for 14 days.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you for booking your Parents' Evening telephone consultations online. Bookings will close at 5pm tonight. Staff will be phoning from extensions in school so it may come up as an unknown number.

Please see the dates and times for appointments below.

Date	Class	Teacher	Appointment Times
Wednesday 14 th September 2020	EYFS/Reception	Mrs Edwards	3:45-6:15pm
Thursday 15 th September 2020	EYFS/Reception	Mrs Edwards	3:45-6:15pm
Monday 19 th October 2020	Kestrels	Miss Winter	3:45-6:15pm
Tuesday 20 th October 2020	Kestrels	Miss Winter	3:45-6:15pm
Tuesday 20 th October 2020	House Martins	Mrs Hughes & Mrs Callister	3:45-6:00pm
Wednesday 21 st October 2020	House Martins	Mrs Hughes & Mrs Callister	3:45-6:00pm
Wednesday 21 st October 2020	Robins	Ms Bryan & Mrs Berry	3:45-6:00pm
Thursday 22 nd October 2020	Robins	Ms Bryan & Mrs Berry	3:45-6:00pm

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I am delighted to announce our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors from the House Martins

Elle (Y4)
Sienna B (Y3)
Carys (Y4)

Maddie (Y3)
Sienna L (Y3)
Harriet (Y4)

Martha (Y4)
Oskar (Y4)

I am looking forward to working with our new leaders to develop their roles.

Lunch Time

Lunch Menu for week beginning 12th October 2020	
Monday	Burger* in a bun with wedges and baked beans or veg or filled jacket potato with salad. Apple sponge and custard or fresh fruit
Tuesday	Pasta Bolognese* with garlic bread and veg or deli option with salad. Cheese and crackers or fresh fruit
Wednesday	Roast chicken* dinner or filled jacket potato with salad. Iced sponge cake or fresh fruit
Thursday	Chicken* curry with rice and veg or deli option with salad. Fruit salad
Friday	Fish & chips with peas or beans or filled jacket potato with salad. Golden crunch and fruit wedge

* Vegetarian option available

**Please note, the cost of a school lunch is now £2.40. Please pay online. Reminder that all children in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a free school meal.

Mid-morning Snack

A reminder....

Mid-morning snack for KS2 must be **pre-booked** and paid in advance online. Log on to www.schoolmoney.co.uk. Go to the 'Club' section and pre-book and pay for the day/s in the week that you want your child to have snack.

School Meals

Our menus are now available to view on our school website by clicking on **School Information** and scrolling down to School Menu.

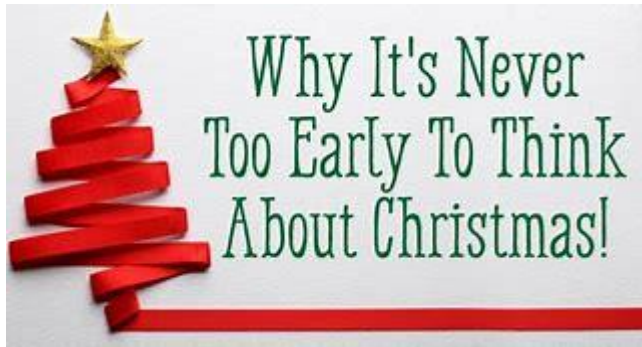
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A note from the TSA

We have been thinking of ways we can celebrate Christmas and make it special for all our children in line with the current government guidance, obviously this year the Christmas fair cannot go ahead.

We still intend to hold our grand Christmas raffle so if you know of or run a business that would donate a prize for us, we'd love to hear from you! Please email Jo on tilstonchair@gmail.com or let any other member of the TSA know.

We would love to put together a Tilston School Christmas Celebration book and we need your input! Today we are sending home template pages (one per family) for you to complete with something that makes Christmas special for your family, this could be your favourite Christmas recipe, a decoration you always make, a favourite Christmas poem, song or tradition. If every family contributed this would make a lovely keepsake. Please make the pages colourful, pictures of the children would be great too, but please note we won't edit what you send us so make sure you are happy with spellings and content before returning the pages to us. Please return completed pages to school by 23rd October, thank you in advance.

Celebration Assembly

Our personal development goal this week is **improve**. We are all very proud of how well the children have adapted to the new safety measures in school; they have taken the new routines in their stride! We are always looking for ways in which we can help children to improve whether it is academic, sporting or their own personal targets. Well done to the following children who have worked hard all week to improve.



Stars of the Week



YR	George: improving with his letters sounds.
Y1	Harry: improved focus with his reading.
Y2	Sophie: having more confidence in herself and her ability.
Y3	Megan: improving her concentration in science.
Y4	Chloe: improving her knowledge of plants.
Y5	lolo: always giving his best and working hard to improve.

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Y6

Ronan: wonderful concentration and focus in maths.



Our Star Hand Writers



Reception	Georgia
Year 1	Grace
Year 2	Sophia
Year 3	Harry T
Year 4	Elle
Year 5	Karl
Year 6	Alice



Behaviour Award

Our Wrens class enjoyed their treat on Monday and this has inspired all classes to try and earn the most dojo points. This week, all classes have been working hard to earn Dojo points and help their class to work towards a team treat. The class with an amazing 454 points is:

The Kestrels Class

Outstanding behaviour- Well done!

Flu vaccinations for children in years Reception to Year 6

Flu vaccinations will take place on October 13th. Please return your forms if you have not already done so.

A message from our Road Safety Officers- Evie & Olivia

We are your new Road Safety Officers and our job is to keep you safe. So parents and children could you please stick to the footpath when you are visiting school. Please do not walk on the road as it is very unsafe.

If you are walking your dog please make sure you keep to the side so everybody can walk on the path.

Could you please park behind our **Think Before You Park** sign to ensure there are no collisions. Thank you for helping to keep us safe.



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Harvest Festival



We hope you enjoyed our first ever virtual Harvest Service this afternoon, it was lovely to see so many families. It wasn't the service we were all hoping for, however we were altogether and safe which is the most important thing at this present time. We are very proud of the children for their performances today.

A huge thank you for your generous contributions to our Harvest collection, we have a super array of goods to donate to The Whitchurch Foodbank. A special thank you to Rev Tim and Rev Norma for leading our service today.

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#HelloYellow

YOUNGMINDS

Thank you for supporting our Hello Yellow Day. Children took part in a range of activities to raise awareness of mental health and helped to brighten our school with their wonderful outfits. Mental health is important to us at Tilston School and we appreciate your support in raising over £100 for this great cause. Thank you!



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Cross Country

Thank you to Bishop Heber High School for continuing to organise sports events across the cluster of primary schools. Last week, our KS1 and KS2 children enjoyed taking part in this year's cross-country event. We were delighted to have come 4th overall but had some incredible runners who won first place in their events. Well done to Emily (Year 1) for coming first in the 200m race and Sienna L & Sienna B for first place in the 300m race. A special thank you to Mrs Huxtable for organising the event.

Wrap Around Care

Booking forms are attached for Early Starters and After School bookings for after half term. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and continue to be limited as we are working within the strict DFE guidelines.



Prayer of the week

Dear God,

We pray that your love and compassion flow through us and to those around us.

Give us the compassion and empathy we need to understand what those in our community are going through.

Help us to love them well.

Help us not to judge but rather come alongside them to offer support and be Your hands and feet.

Amen

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

Yours sincerely



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