



Withernsea Primary School



Welcoming, positive, successful

January 2022 Newsletter

Happy New Year!

Welcome to the Spring Term. This time last year we went into a national lockdown - fortunately we seem to have avoided that this year, although covid is very much with us.

The guidance changed before Christmas and I'm sure will continue to keep changing and we will let you know as soon as we do. We also appreciate lateral flow tests are still very difficult to get hold of and hope that supply will improve very soon.

I have repeated the guidance as put on dojo at the start of the term, but any questions please contact Mrs Allen and we will do our best to help you.

Omicron symptoms do seem to include a sore or dry throat and symptoms more alike to a cold. To start the term we seem to have reports of quite a few adults with it, less so children. I am concerned on the impact of staffing the school – but we will do our best. We opened with 9% of staff unable to return and we will monitor it on a daily basis, our priority is to keep school open for children safely.

The guidance changed at the end of term with regard to **direct contacts**.

People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time.

Children under 5 are not being advised to take part in daily testing of close contacts. If a child under 5 is a contact of a confirmed case, they are not required to self-isolate and should not start daily testing. If they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 they should limit their contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19, and arrange to take a PCR test as soon as possible.

If you are unable to do LFD testing for 7 days, then we revert to the original guidance in place before Christmas which was to stay at home and obtain a PCR test 3- 5 days after first contact and to return to school after the results of this test. If unable to do this- self isolate for 10 days.

For everyone testing positive-

Since Wednesday 22 December, the 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason.

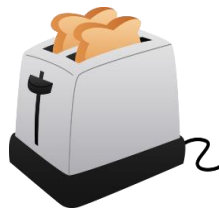
Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who

receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to school from day 8. Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Autumn Fundraiser!

Thank you for your support with the autumn fundraiser. We managed to raise over **£1000!!**

A **HUGE** thank you to; Sunken Treasures Garden Centre Sunk Island, TOFS, Park Resorts Withernsea, Withernsea Butchers, Rosy Leaf, The Station Hotel Patrington, MKM, Holderness Hardware, Tesco, Hollym Bike Shop, Teaching Personnel, Rainbows Books & Gifts, Patrington Haven Guys Restaurant, P Cardy Plumbing & Heating, Hair Taylor, The Takeout Tearoom, R-evolution, Katie Keelty, Karen Briggs Judo, Great Newsome Brewery, Peacock & Binnington, Active Withernsea/Pavilion Leisure Centre, PJD Electrical, Henry Boot, Game King, Withernsea & District Community News, Ripon Farm Services, Hollym Garden Centre, Withernsea Children's Centre, Principal Resourcing, Spotted Duck Fitling, Goodwin Fox, Tigers Trust, Rich Smith, Hart's Health Home & Beauty, Daisy Shed and GK Domestic Appliance Services, who all gifted fantastic raffle prizes.



'The Breakfast Club'

7.45 To 8.45 am

£2.50 per child, per session

Please contact the school office for more details

Online Payment System – Pay 360

School uniform can now be paid for on Pay360, the school's online payment system.

If you would like to register to pay for school meals, uniform, the breakfast club or music lessons online, please contact the school office, thank you.

Staffing Changes

We wish Mrs Weekes and Mr Campbell well as they start new jobs and congratulations to Mrs Todd on her retirement.

We welcome Miss E Howick as our new teacher in Year 2 and Miss Render as our new safeguarding officer. We hope they settle in quickly and enjoy their time working at Withernsea Primary School.

Bikes and Scooters

There is a second shelter planned for each and we have now obtained quotes for tender so hopefully these will appear soon. We cannot take responsibility for bikes and scooters parked in school and do suggest that bikes and scooters are locked.

Learning

At present we are reviewing our curriculum plans and improving them so that it is really clear what we expect the children to learn. The broad overview and long term plans are correct but we will be updating the website with more detailed medium plans this term.

Parents evenings this term will be 15th and 17th February – we are unsure yet whether they will be in reality or virtual or a combination of both, but will let parents know shortly.

School year – 2021-2022

	Spring 2022	Summer 2022
Open		Tuesday 26th April
Close half term	Thursday 17th February	Thursday 26th May
Open	Tuesday 1st March	Wednesday 8th June
End of term	Friday 8th April	Friday 22nd July
May Day Bank Holiday	Please note the school will be closed Monday 2nd May for the bank holiday	

National Penguin Day Menu



Thursday 20th January 2022

Main

Hops a lot Hot dog (2,13) - Gluten free option available

Vegetarian Hot dog (13)

Beaker Burger (2,13) - Quorn burger (2)

served with chips and beans

Allergens:

2 Cereals
containing gluten

7 Milk

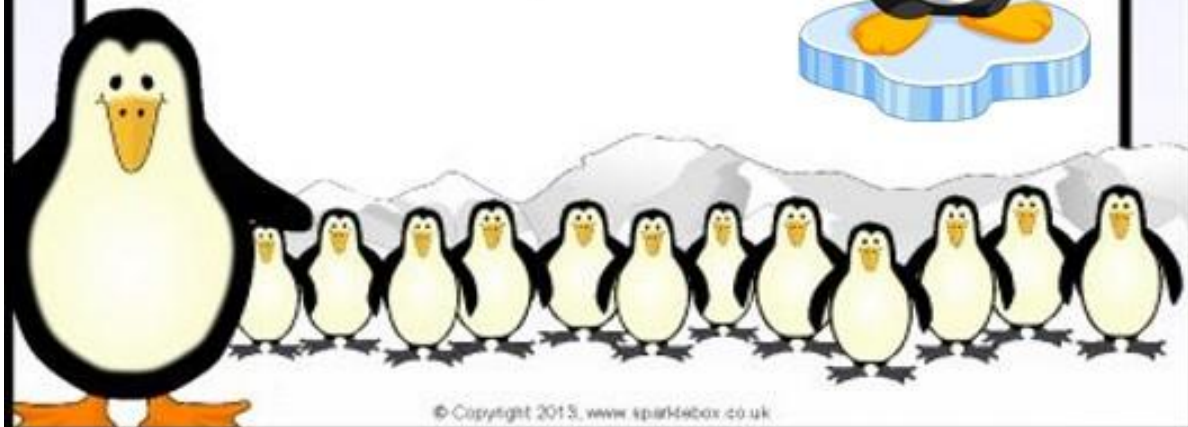
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Desserts

Atlantic Ice Cream (7)

Iced Penguin Biscuit

Vegan Biscuit



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Please note – Daily alternatives **WILL NOT** be available.