

# Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School

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*Reach for the Stars*

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Dear parents/carers,

## Information and Reminders

It is fantastic to see all the children returning to school so happily and to have noises and laughter on the playground and ringing throughout the school after such a strange and difficult time. As a staff we hope that everything is well with you and all your families and look forward to working with you again over the forthcoming year.

For us to have a successful year we do need everyone to be vigilant and if your child shows any of the symptoms of Coronavirus: a high temperature, a new, continuous cough or a sudden change to their sense of taste or smell then it is important they stay off school until tested. In order to access a test please go to [www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test](http://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test) or phone 119 immediately and they should be able to support you. If you are concerned about the symptoms shown by your child, keep them and any siblings off and phone 111 or your GP for advice. A negative test would mean your child can return to school and as these tests can be turned around quite quickly, following the route of getting a test is highly recommended. Otherwise the child with the symptoms needs to isolate for 10 days and the rest of the household for 14 days from when the symptoms were first observed. If a positive test result occurs then Public Health England will be informed and the school will be advised how to proceed.

I will publish a newsletter on a monthly basis with any updates and to celebrate achievements across the school, hopefully your child will achieve Headteacher's award over the coming months and be mentioned in it! They will hopefully also be gaining loads of clasdojos which you will be able to keep an eye on through the link the teachers will be trying to set up with you. Please make sure you check your junk folder and sign up to this service, it is one of the best ways to contact your child's teacher directly.

All homework tasks will be published on the class pages of the website on a weekly basis and every parent and child needs to be able to get to this so that everyone is ready for how learning will look and how links to the school can be accessed if more lockdown situations occur. Please follow this link and look on the page for each class:

<http://cheswardineschool.org.uk/home/parents-area/classes/>

Parents will be asked to send in photos of the work done through clasdojo or follow links to websites such as Purple Mash which will enable the children to carry out tasks which can be sent to the teacher to check through a cloud based system. We are currently working on all children having their own school email address so Microsoft teams can be used for teaching in the event of another lockdown and they will also be a way in which homework can be sent back into the teacher on a weekly basis.



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Each class will soon send out a termly theme letter which will give details of the topics and learning being covered this term and expectations with regards to homework as this of course looks different from Reception to Year 6. I do need to emphasise though that all homework tasks will be published on the website and a commitment to accessing this resource will give your child a better chance of keeping up with their learning if they have to isolate or go into lockdown in anyway.

As mentioned in the procedures children should come into school wearing PE kit when it is their PE day.

For this term these are:  
Class 1: Monday and Wednesday  
Class 2: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday  
Class 3: Wednesday and Thursday.

Class 1 and Nursery also have Forest School on a Tuesday and are dealing well with bringing in waterproofs and clothes for this and can continue to do so.

All children should avoid bringing in large bags, which are not needed in school. Packed lunches are available to order and we hope that hot meals will be resuming soon, I will let you know when and send out the menus as soon as I have confirmed the arrangements.

Please don't hesitate to phone the school or email admin if you have any questions or concerns however small. If I am not here you can always reach me at Hinstock on 01952 550220. Hopefully all will go well over the term and the children will try their best and 'Reach for the Stars' in the way we know they can.

Stay Safe,

*REWilliams*

Rachael Williams (Executive Headteacher)



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