



SUNNYLANDS NEWS

October 2021

Welcome to the October edition of Sunnylands News

September has gone so fast in school, all our Primary One's are well settled in and now staying until 1:55pm each day.

October is a busy month in school as we celebrate Harvest, hold parental interviews and look forward to clubs starting after half term.

We look forward to welcoming you to parental interviews to discuss your child/children and their progress.

Please plan to join us and support your child.

Mrs J. Lyons

Drop off and collection

Children are encouraged to arrive to school between 8:45am and 8:55am, ready for a 9am start. Please try to make sure your child arrives on time to school so class can start on time.

P1, P2 and P3 on a Monday and Wednesday should be collected at 1:55pm to allow infant teachers to move to afternoon senior classes.

I would again request that parents wear face coverings in school grounds to prevent the spread of COVID.

Parental Interviews

Parental interviews will take place this year on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st October from 1:15pm each day. To facilitate this school will finish at 12:45pm each day after children have had lunch.

Friday 25th October marks the end of our first half term and school will finish at 12:45pm, after lunch.

Details about parental interviews have been sent home with children. Please complete this form and return to school as soon as possible to help us put together an interview timetable.

Breakfast club will continue as normal.

Flu Injections

These will be administered in school on Thursday 21st October. Please complete and return the form sent out by the school nurse.

HALF TERM

School will be closed for half term Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October, inclusive.

We wish all our pupils a relaxing and safe half-term break.

COVID update

We are all learning to live with COVID and the impact it has on our lives. I would like to thank parents and our school community for their understanding and support as we move through these difficult times.

I would also continue to request that if your child has COVID symptoms you ensure that they DO NOT come to school as this further spreads the infection. Please remember that other children and adults in school, or indeed the people they go home to, may be very vulnerable to this infection! Please keep our community safe. If you are unsure please book your child a PCR test, at a test centre, and **do not** send them to school until you receive the result.

School Meals

Applying for Free School Meals has been a long process for many parents this year and I know that some pupils are still waiting for confirmation of this. I would urge you to apply for Free School Meals if entitled or to persevere with the process until completion as this has huge impact on our funding for next year. If I can be of assistance please contact the school office or send an email to jlyons481@c2kni.net

EA meals can be contacted on 028 25661355

Harvest

We will be holding our Harvest Service online again this year to avoid crowds in the school building. All classes are working to put together their part in the service and this will be posted on the school website before the half-term break.

We are working on a plan for Christmas plays to be seen in person however this will depend on medical advice and the current situation within the community.

Breakfast Club

This club is open to everyone however I wish to remind parents it does not start until 8am and serves only until 8:30am. Children cannot be accommodated outside these times.

Clubs

At last we are in a position to start these after the half term break. Letters have been sent home which detail what is available to each year group. We have tried to give each grouping similar opportunities and have kept year groups together to minimise risk. Please complete and return the forms, with the correct money as soon as possible so these can be processed.

School Photographs

These have been sent home. If you wish to purchase these please send the correct money to the school office. If you do not wish to have the photos please return them to the school office.

Please note school is charged for photos not returned!