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Dear Cuddington Parents and Families,

As weeks go, under a COVID risk assessment, this has been a positive one! Thank you to all parents who are wearing face masks when coming onto the school site – I just need to remind you that it is only 1 adult per child at the start and the end of the day. I am equally pleased that we have significantly cut down on late arrivals and forgotten items this week 😊

Many of you will have heard by now that Cheshire West and Chester are currently on the Government's 'watch' list due to not only its surrounding areas with high transmission, but CWAC's transmission is also rising. We will continue to work together to do the right thing in order to protect each other.

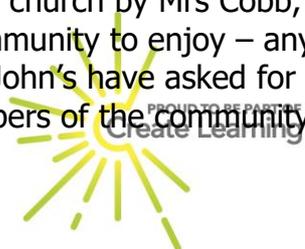
Mrs Williams and I have almost finished our Remote Learning Policy and this will soon be uploaded onto our Coronavirus webpage. We are keen to engage with Microsoft Teams as this is where children are able to send work to their teacher to be marked and receive feedback – your children will also be accessing recorded English and Maths lessons as part of the remote learning provision. Our ICT technician has been instructed to set up email addresses to access 'Teams.' This is something that each of the schools in our Trust are doing.

Fortunately, we haven't had to close a bubble yet, but an increasing number of children (6 over the past 2 weeks) are isolating for 2 or 3 days whilst they are waiting for parents to confirm a negative/positive test. I spoke with my staff at our briefing last night to ensure that any child now isolating at home will be provided with work via email or via the apps you already use for homework. Obviously there won't be taught lessons as your child's teacher is teaching in school throughout the day. This is something that we intend to regularly review and change if we need to or if the guidance changes.

On Monday (5th October) many of us will be filmed as we go about our day by Mr and Mrs Rosson (parents). They will be filming children and staff to share with prospective parents as we are unable to have an Open Morning this year. Once it is ready you will obviously be able to watch it. I will be introducing the short footage and there will be background music whilst we enjoy watching 'A Day in the Life of a Cuddington Child.'

Jars of Hope

To support St John's Church, Cuddington and Sandiway children have created Jars of Hope for members of the Sandiway and Cuddington Community. Each jar has been filled with flowers made by each of the children in our school. Our jars are being delivered to the church by Mrs Cobb, where they will be arranged for members of the Church and Village Community to enjoy – any of you can go along to the church on Sunday between 11am and 2pm. St John's have asked for donations for our local foodbanks. They will then be distributed to members of the community. Look out for the tweets on our Twitter feed @cuddington pri



PE

Over the past few weeks we have had Mark Greaves teaching Toucans and Puffins children how to play cricket and Mr Finney (from Weaverham High School) working with Year 6 on becoming effective leaders. We still aim to have as many PE lessons outside as we can so please remember to send in joggers and a long sleeved top for your child as they do PE in the colder weather. We have some amazing hockey players in Macaws and our Skylarks children are developing into great rounders players. Tawny Owls and Barn Owls have become effective cricket players with some rapid responses to fielding and batting.

Physical activity is not only good for our physical health, but it supports our mental health also. I wish you could see our Reception and Year 1 children engaged in Yoga –some great core strength developing there.

Staff News

Please join me in congratulating Mrs Larbey as she expects her first baby in February, so along with Mrs Ducker and Mr Hutchinson, we have our very own baby boom at Cuddington!

I thought I would end with this lovely news 😊

A happy weekend to you all when it arrives!

Kind regards,

Mrs S Mills
Head Teacher