



Dear Parents/Carers,

### **PARENT'S EVENINGS**

Due to the current crisis the Local Authority are advising schools not to hold face-to-face parent's meetings in school. In place of this, we have decided to conduct our meetings on-line via Microsoft Teams. In order for teachers to fit in as many meetings in one evening, there will be a strict adherence to the 10 minute appointment times. Meetings will be booked through the teachers2parents booking system. The dates for the autumn meetings are, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. You will receive further details of how to use of Microsoft Teams nearer the time. The bookings will go live after half-term.

### **ON LINE SURVEY**

If you have not already done so can you please complete the online survey regarding digital access at home. It is vital that all families complete this for each child they have at Foxmoor Primary. The survey does not mention access to a printer. This is because, in the event of a local lockdown or a bubble has to isolate, the school will provide each child with a Maths and English book to work in and teachers will endeavour to set work that does not require printing.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=CtMFQZqIiUKKBSXJOuwrk7paJ-VcFO1IpYf1ERmtDctUQVpHQkIKVU1NTjAxSOVWNjM4Nzg1STdXRi4u>

### **HELLO YELLOW DAY**

The children enjoyed wearing yellow or bright colours for Hello Yellow day. Thanks to your generous contributions, we raised over £300 for the Young Minds charity.

### **DRINKS BOTTLES**

All children will need a drinks bottle in school. As the children are keeping them on their desks, please make sure that these are filled with water only in case of spillages.

### **STAFFING NEWS**

Mrs Mutalindwa will be leaving Foxmoor at the end of October. She is leaving to take up a post in another Gloucester school. I know you will want to join me in thanking her for her service at Foxmoor and to wish her good luck in the future.

Following a successful interview, I am delighted to welcome Mrs Hennessy to the Foxmoor team. Mrs Hennessy will be working with Mrs Spence and Mrs Horton in Year 3.

### **WARM CLOTHES IN SCHOOL**

As part of the government guidelines, we have to keep windows and some external doors open to aid ventilation. As the weather becomes colder, it is important that all children have warm clothing in school. If you would like to send your child in with extra layers then please do so. This could include a fleece or gillet.

## **INFECTION PREVENTION AND RESPONSE**

It is vital that we all work together to minimise the risk of any coronavirus outbreak. The government have issued clear guidance on what to do if anyone within your household has any of the three main coronavirus symptoms. The three main symptoms are fever, a continuous dry cough or loss of sense of smell or taste. Please see the table below for what to do if any member of your household shows any of these symptoms.

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
My child has coronavirus symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate</li> <li>Get a test</li> <li>Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	The test comes back negative
My child tests positive for coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate for at least 10 days</li> <li>Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the virus has gone
Somebody in my house has coronavirus symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate</li> <li>Household member to get a test</li> <li>Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	The household member test is negative.
Somebody in my household tested positive for coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation
NHS test and trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation
We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time</li> <li>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</li> <li>Provide information to school as per attendance policy</li> </ul> <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine period is required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school daily</li> <li>Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not come to school</li> <li>Contact school to discuss distance learning</li> <li>Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</li> </ul>	Medical professional informs you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again

## **HOME LEARNING**

If your child has one of the three main coronavirus symptoms and they are not attending school whilst awaiting test results we ask that, in the short term, you encourage your child to read, practise their spellings and times tables while they are at home.

In the event of a class bubble having to isolate or the school is instructed to close in full, we will switch to remote learning. In these circumstances, teachers will be setting work weekly with direct links to pre-recorded lessons and associated activities. Lessons and activities will mirror what would be being taught face-to-face in the classroom. Parents will be able to communicate with teachers directly on a daily basis via email.

If you have any problems accessing digital resources please contact the school office.

Richard Bridgewater  
Headteacher

## **INFORMATION**

### **School and Governor Contact:**

01453 757251

Facebook @foxmoorprimaryschool

### **Family Lives Helpline:**

0808 800 2222

[www.familylives.org](http://www.familylives.org)

### **Early Help Partnership Families First Plus Stroud:**

01452 328130

[www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk](http://www.glosfamiliesdirectory.org.uk)

### **School Nurse Contact:**

0300 421 8959

### **Early Years and Childcare:**

0800 542 02 02

### **Gloucestershire County Council:**

[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk)

### **Friends of Foxmoor (FOF)**

Facebook @friendsoffoxmoorschool

Contact: Natalie Hombrado via the school office

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please find below a list of current visits planned and some important dates. I hope you find it useful. Further dates will be added in subsequent newsletters.

<b>Autumn 2020</b>	<b>Term 1</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Inset Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Inset Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Children return to school
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Harvest Festival - No assembly. Details to follow
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Last day of Term 1
<b>Autumn 2020</b>	<b>Term 2</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	First day of Term 2
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent's Evening
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent's Evening
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Parent's Evening
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Term 2
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Inset Day
<b>Spring 2021</b>	<b>Term 3</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of Term 3
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of Term 3
<b>Spring 2021</b>	<b>Term 4</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	First day of Term 4
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Last day of Term 4
<b>Summer 2021</b>	<b>Term 5</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Term 5
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
10 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of Term 5 for children
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Inset Day
<b>Summer 2021</b>	<b>Term 6</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> June	First day of Term 6
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Term 6 for children
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Inset Day