

# Ashleigh Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter Date

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## School Reopening Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March

- We are looking forward to seeing everyone back when we reopen School, Nursery and Treehouse on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March!
- The government have confirmed that school attendance is mandatory from Monday.
- Can parents/carers wear masks wherever possible and keep socially distant during drop-off and pick-up times.
- Previous rules apply for safety, i.e. one parent/carer on site at drop-off and pick-up, please don't gather in groups.
- Please continue to follow lockdown rules, even if you are testing regularly or have already received the first dose of vaccine.
- A link to SchoolMoney to order any required school lunches has been sent out.
- More information and advice to parents can be found at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/backtoschool](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/backtoschool)

## Government Guidance

- If you live a short distance from your school or college, walk, cycle or scoot to and from school wherever it is possible and safe to do so;
- Avoid sharing a car with anyone outside of your household or support bubble;
- If you are using public transport to get to school or college, plan ahead and allow more time for your journey;
- When you are travelling by public or dedicated school transport, don't forget to:
  - wear a face covering (unless you are exempt, including if you are aged 11 and under). It is important you wear them for the entirety of your journey, including inside a bus or train station;
- Social distance where possible;
- Wash or sanitise your hands regularly;
- Be considerate to fellow passengers and staff.

## Lateral Flow Testing for Parents/Carers

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

- Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary and secondary-age pupils will have access to regular rapid lateral flow testing made available as schools reopen.

How to get a rapid lateral flow test:

- From 1 March 2021, if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test:
  1. Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.



2. Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator. You may need to book an appointment.  
<https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>
3. Collect test kits. You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point.
  - Each pack contains 7 tests.
  - Anyone 18 or over can collect.
  - Most collection points are open from 1.30pm to 7pm. You can check online if the location is open or busy before you go.
  - You do not need to make an appointment.
  - Do not visit a collection point outside opening hours, as it may be used to test people with coronavirus symptoms outside these times.
  - <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>
4. Order home test kits online. If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online. Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.  
<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

**Please note that Ashleigh staff are voluntarily participating in twice weekly lateral flow testing.**

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## New Communication System

- School emails are now being sent via Teachers2Parents, please make sure we have current email details for all parents/carers.

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## Parent/Carer Telephone Calls

- We are offering parents/carers the opportunity to book a phone call with your child's teacher between 8<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March.
- Booking links have been sent out this week, if you have not received a link, please contact the school office.
- Each class has a separate booking link due to teachers' individual availability.

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## World Book Day - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March

- This has obviously been a rather different Book week this year, but we still had lots of fun looking at live lessons from authors, making characters, Zoom calls and dressing-up.
- We will be having another Ashleigh Book Day later in the Summer term where we will all dress up again, if anyone didn't get the chance this time, and hold a sponsored read for those who would like to take part.

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## Year 6 Residential / Wymondham High Transition

- We discovered yesterday that Wymondham High have pushed their Year 6 transition dates back in July, which means the 12<sup>th</sup> July clashes with the first of our Year 6 residential visits.
- We are working with Wymondham High to make alternative arrangements so that none of the children miss out.



## Captain Sir Tom Raffle and Community Project

- We hope that you saw the Captain Sir Tom colouring page in the wellbeing bags and are perhaps displaying this in your window at home.
- These have been sent to all of our cluster schools so that we can connect as a community and pay tribute to Captain Tom.
- Year 6 are also working on a collaborative art piece using this design - we are very excited about this and will share photos soon!
- Also, keep an eye out at Kett's Books who will be displaying our design in their wellbeing window soon.
- We would like to do a raffle for an A2 print of the Captain Sir Tom tribute design.
- We will automatically give every child in the school a ticket, however, if you feel able to make a donation to the Captain Tom Foundation please contribute via School Money so we can keep track of the school total.
- For more information on the work of the Captain Tom foundation, take a look at this website. <https://captaintom.org/>
- We will announce the winner of the competition next week!

## Just One Norfolk

### Just One Norfolk

- The Just One Norfolk website is full of really useful resources to support children's health and wellbeing. It is a fantastic way of finding support for a wide range of physical and emotional health needs. You can phone 0300 300 0123 or check the website: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>
- The Return to School tab has great resources for families including webinars: <https://www.schools.norfolk.gov.uk/teaching-and-learning/wellbeing-in-education/webinars>
- The Emotional Health tab has great resources to support families who might be on long waiting lists for other services. For example: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/emotional-health/children-young-peoples-emotional-health/low-mood> which includes information and activities that parents can do with their children now while they are waiting for further support.
- There is also additional support available via <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/return-to-school>

## Online Safety - Guide for Parents/Carers

In this booklet you will find information about what online harm is and ways you can effectively help and support your children.

- [https://www.mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk/assets/news\\_entry\\_featured\\_image/NWG-MCF-Parents-Leaflet.pdf](https://www.mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk/assets/news_entry_featured_image/NWG-MCF-Parents-Leaflet.pdf)

## Diary Dates

### **2020-2021 Dates**

Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	• School, Nursery & Treehouse reopen
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	• Red Nose Day
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	• 3:00/3:15pm School & Nursery close for the Easter holidays
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Apr	• School and Nursery reopen



Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank Holiday – School &amp; Nursery closed for the day</li> </ul>
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00/3:15pm School &amp; Nursery close for half term</li> </ul>
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School &amp; Nursery reopen</li> </ul>
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School sibling photographs</li> </ul>
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wymondham High <b>Year 6</b> Transition Day</li> </ul>
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wymondham High <b>Year 6</b> Transition Day</li> </ul>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> <b>Year 6</b> Residential (returning 14<sup>th</sup> Jul)</li> <li>• Wymondham High <b>Year 6</b> Transition Day (alternative arrangements to be made for those on the residential)</li> </ul>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> <b>Year 6</b> Residential (returning 16<sup>th</sup> Jul)</li> </ul>
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3:00/3:15pm School &amp; Nursery close for the Summer holidays</li> </ul>

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## Previous Newsletters

If you would like details of any of our previous newsletters, regarding (for example):

- Safeguarding,
- Keeping Children Safe in Education,
- Mental health support,
- Free School Meal applications.

Please contact the office who will be able to help you.

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