



## Newsletter

24th March 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Firstly, I do hope you all have a good Easter break and that the sun shines down on you all.

I would like to give you a few reminders to help the beginning and end of the day run smoothly.

- Try to avoid arriving at school at 8.40 am and 3.00pm. If you all arrive at the same time it creates a queue, which we hope to avoid.
- If you have to queue please stay 2 metres apart and wear your mask.
- Please do not congregate outside the school gate to have a chat.
- Please do not arrive early for your pick up time.
- One adult only if at all possible.
- Please keep your mask on until you leave the school site.

It's especially important to stick to the guidance over the Easter period when there is always the temptation to do more than is deemed currently safe.

Please also remember that staff don't have the capacity to spend time talking to parents in the morning/ after school. Please use the team emails to contact staff, they will respond as soon as possible. For urgent things you want the class teacher to know, please ring the school office when you get home after drop off. If you wish to speak to me directly then please also ring school or email me [liz.powell@ashbyce.leics.sch.uk](mailto:liz.powell@ashbyce.leics.sch.uk)

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**Please make sure that if your child has symptoms that you book them in for a PCR test, do not administer a lateral flow test at home. The results from the two can often differ which can result in false bubble closures, which has happened this week. Many thanks.**

Miss Miller's class and staff will be returning to school tomorrow.

### Parent's Evening

Due to the lock down we were unable to have parent's evening so we have postponed them until next term. These will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April. These meetings will once again be virtual, except for Foundation Stage. You will

be able to book in the same way as the Autumn term, appointments will be released on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

This will be a 10 minute appointment only; to talk about your child's progress when staff may refer to the outcomes of assessments which are taking place this week.

If you are contacted by your child's class teacher to arrange an SEN appointment, there is no need to book a separate Parent's Evening appointment.

## Before and After School Provision

Thank you to those of you who have signed up for ACE after school club and Breakfast club. We are now unable to take any more pupils up to June half term. **We will re-open bookings on May 17<sup>th</sup> for the following half term.** We will presume that existing bookings will continue over and that you will contact us if there are any changes. **Please note that all this provision must be paid for in advance to secure your child's place.** Pupil premium funding is available to eligible pupils if required. Please contact the school office for details.

## On Line Forms

We have moved over to using Microsoft forms for either expressions of interest and booking clubs and activities. These will always carry a return by date. We are now sticking very rigidly to these to give the administrative time needed to process and organise everything in a safe and efficient way. Please do stick to the deadline dates. **We regret that from now on any late bookings will not be processed, even if we have the space. You must stick to the deadlines to avoid disappointment.** If you have any difficulties with this system then please let us know and we will support in any way we can.

## After School Sport

We are still hoping to run after school sports clubs with Mr Slaney after Easter. Our plan is for these to run across all 5/6 classes/ 3/4 and KS1. We are waiting to see which restrictions are lifted before we take bookings. We hope to make our decisions straight after the Easter break.

## New Dinner Menu

After the holidays there will be a slight change to our school meals menu. You can view the menu on the school website at <http://www.ashbyce.leics.sch.uk/school-food>

## Red Nose Day



A huge thank you for your kind donations for Comic Relief of £223.

## Uniform

We are expecting the children to be back in full uniform after the holiday. Please remember that PE kit is your child's 'house' coloured t shirt with dark shorts or joggers plus suitable footwear. Please do not send your child to school in football kit etc. on PE days.