



NEWSLETTER

XII Apostles RCPS, Nel Pan Lane, Leigh, Wigan WN7 5JS School Web Site: www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs S. M. Newton BA Hons QTS 1st October 2020

Welcome

Firstly, can I say a big Welcome to our new Reception children who are now all in school full-time. They are really enjoying getting to know each other and making new friends. Mrs Parry reports that they have all settled in well. It is also lovely to meet the siblings of a number of our children.

After such a positive start to the term it was with great sadness that three year groups were instructed to self-isolate due to confirmed positive COVID 19 cases. It really is lovely to see everyone back at school this week and long may it continue.

Home Learning

If children are required to self-isolate for 14 days, I want to remind parents that work will be set for them on a daily basis by their class teacher. The work set is from a carefully planned recovery curriculum that meets the needs of each Year group and covers any gaps in learning. It is essential that children complete the work set so that their education and progress is not disrupted. Unfortunately, there will not be time to repeat missed work when the children return to school. If your child is unwell and unable to complete home learning tasks, please inform you child's class teacher. Teachers will set work using the remote learning platforms Class Dojos, Purple Mash and for Reception Tapestry. Paper copies of resources are available for those children who are unable to access this provision in this way. The work will be set by the class teacher, if they are unwell another member of staff will set work.

If your child is absent due to COVID for just a few days e.g. awaiting a test result, then parents will be directed to the school website for work and signposted to relevant websites in the interim period. A home school agreement is attached to this letter together with information to ensure that the internet is used safely at home.

Once again, we would all like to thank our parents and carers for their patience and understanding as we adapt to new ways of working.



Star of the Week

Fri 11th September

Well done to the following children:

Reception – N/A

Year 1 – Hope Smith

Year 2 – Isaac Martin

Year 3 – Gloriz Osemeke

Year 4 – Corey Warburton

Year 5 – Mason Ramsdale

Year 6 – Kyan Prescott



Friday 18th September

Reception – N/A

Year 1 – Phoebe Stott

Year 2 – Jaya Jesani

Year 3 – N/A

Year 4 – N/A

Year 5 – N/A

Year 6 – Bailee Lewis



Friday 25th September

Reception – N/A

Year 1 – Mason Goodwin

Year 2 – Grace Sutton

Year 3 – N/A

Year 4 – N/A

Year 5 – N/A

Year 6 – Tamzin Anderson

Reception Intake 2021

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, they will be due to start school in September 2021. The online application service and details of how to apply for a place in reception class for September 2021 will be available on the Wigan council website on the evening of the 30th September 2020.

Anyone who is interested in sending their child to XII Apostles school should register their details with the school office. We ask that you also provide your email address.

This does not guarantee a place nor is it a formal application for a place. However, it does enable us

We are required to have this contingency plan in place to cover the range of scenarios in which individuals or groups of children may have to isolate due to COVID. Home and school need to work together closely to support the children in their Education.

Self - Isolation

Can I remind parents that if your child is sent home to self-isolate then they should not leave the house and only play in the garden for the isolation period. Unfortunately, we have had a few reports where this is not happening and as the Health Protection team have stipulated, this is putting others at risk.

Also, if your child or a member of your family develop symptoms and or has a test, please can you notify school as a matter of urgency and up-date school during the process.

Face masks

At the moment the Government is not recommending universal use of face coverings in primary schools and it is a personal choice if parents wish to wear them on the playground. If parents adhere to the 2 metre distance rule this should not be necessary. However, please be mindful that the guidance changes on a daily basis.

Letters to Parents/Carers

We have sent quite a lot of important correspondence out to parents/carers. Please can you refer to our school website for all details, as this is being up-dated regularly.

Holidays During School Time

The importance of school attendance is paramount and please note that any leave/holidays during school time will be unauthorised and can lead to a penalty notice being issued.

Visiting the School Office

Visits to the school office should be kept to a minimum. Please speak to school via the telephone, email or class dojos and only visit the office if you have to. Only one person at a time should enter the foyer and you should wear a mask on entry.

Infant Entrance

Please do not park on the dirt track between the terraced houses, as this is the only pedestrian exit/entrance and is therefore a safety hazard.

to forward future correspondence with relevant information. We are in the process of organising a remote open evening, so watch this space for more information.

Drop off and Pick Up times

Thank you for your efforts in adhering to the specified times. It is essential that children arrive at school at their designated times and **no earlier** as we need to avoid congestion on the playground and also year group bubbles mixing.

The time table is available on the school website <https://www.twelveapostlesleigh.co.uk/>

Social Distancing

Thank you to all those parents that have adhered to this rule on the playground. It is so important that parents do not linger on the playground or at the school gate and avoid contact. Only one parent/carer should come onto the playground with their child/children. We must play our part in ensuring we follow the government guidelines and show that we are doing all we can to keep everyone safe.

Parents Evening

I am sure many parents and carers are keen to hear about how their child has settled in and is progressing now back at school. The class teachers will be holding parent telephone consultations. Please be mindful these will not exceed 5 minutes so that the teachers have time to talk to all parents and will be between 3.30 pm and 5.50 pm.

Reception - Monday 9th November and Tuesday 10th November

Year 1 - Monday 12th October and Tuesday 13th October

Year 2 – Monday 12th October and Thursday 15th October

Year 3 - Monday 9th November and Tuesday 10th November

Year 4 – Thursday 12th November and Thursday 19th November

Year 5 – Monday 16th November and Tuesday 17th November

Year 6 – Wednesday 14th October and Thursday 15th October



Miss Grundy will email you via ParentMail an allocated day and time slot. Please note it will not be a precise time, it will be within a 30-minute window. Please can all parents ensure they have downloaded the **ParentMail app**, if you have not already done so.

Internet Safety

Here is a link to safe internet use for parents/carers. It has got lots of information about social media, screen time etc.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/resources-parents-and-carers>

This is a leaflet for parents - from the website.

<https://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Supporting-Young-People-Online.pdf>

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www.childnet.com

Risk Assessment

We have a comprehensive risk assessment in place to keep our whole school community safe. This has been approved by the Local Authority. However, it is continually being updated and amended in line with new guidance and is therefore a working document. If you wish to see this, please ask the office and they will email you a copy.

After School Clubs

After school clubs have restarted on Monday 28th September. All children attending are to come to school in their PE kits and trainers.

Monday

Year 3

Badminton
3.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Tuesday

Year 2

Multi Skills
3.15 pm – 4.15 pm

Wednesday

Year 4

Netball/Basketball
3.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Thursday

Year 5

Football
3.15 pm – 4.15 pm

Friday

Year 6

Bench Ball
3.30 pm – 4.30 pm



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