



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers
Welcome back after the half term break. I hope you have all enjoyed the sunshine and family time.

I am pleased to tell you that we have now appointed a new sports coach: Mr Maj pronounced May who will be starting with us at the end of June. In the meantime there will be no after school sports clubs with the exception of year 2 who have dance on Tuesdays until the end of term.

Updated COVID Guidance on Face Coverings and PCR tests

Across Greater Manchester, case rates have increased considerably in all boroughs in the last fortnight, with the exception of Bolton where rates have remained very high. All GM boroughs are within the top 20 nationally, and 9 of the top 20 MSOAs are in GM. At present, Wigan is the 22nd highest borough in the country in terms of prevalence.

In light of this we would still request that parents and carers wear face coverings on the playground. It is also recommended that if anyone has been in close contact with a positive cases take a PCR test even if they do not have any symptoms.

However, if the test result is negative, the contact must still complete their 10-day self-isolation period because the virus can incubate within that time.

This is because it has recently been agreed that all positive PCR tests undertaken in Greater Manchester will have genomic sequencing carried out (as opposed to sampling). Therefore, advising close contacts to carry out PCR tests which could potentially speed up the genomic sequencing process and result in a slightly earlier identification of a VoC. PCR tests can be obtained via this [link](#).

Please also see attached a letter from the Local Authority for your information.



Stars of the Week

Friday 28th May 2021



Can I congratulate the following children for being shining stars:

- Reception – Gracie H and Tom B**
- Year 1 – Brian D**
- Year 2 – Jacob P**
- Year 3 – Natalie K**
- Year 4 – Harley S**
- Year 5 – Riley L**
- Year 6 – Lucie O B**

Friends Fundraising Events

As you are all aware the friends of Twelve Apostles have been unable to organise a Summer Fair in the usual way, due to restrictions around social distancing and large gathering therefore they have looked for a safe alternative and opportunities for the children to take part in similar events safely in school. The children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part thus far and thank you so much for your support.

The next events are :

Summer Own Clothes Day - Friday 18th June

This is a non-uniform day in which children are invited to come to school in Summer clothes including hats and bring a £1 donation.

Jar Tombola - Friday 18th June

Thank you to all those parents that have sent a £1 in to support this event. All children who have bought a ticket will be able to collect a jar on Friday 18th June.

If you still have jars that you are able to fill and send in with sweets, toys, gifts, etc. please send in by Monday 14th June.

Dance Workshops

These proved highly successful on Tuesday and were enjoyed by all the children. It was a delight to watch and see the children so eager and enthusiastic. Miriam the dance teacher was impressed by the children's engagement.

These will continue every Tuesday until the end of term so please can children wear PE kits to school on a Tuesday.

Class Photos Reception and Year 6 Wednesday 16th June

The school photographer will be visiting school to take a class photo and individual photos of the children and staff in Reception and Year 6. There will be an opportunity to purchase these class photos.

Andy Grant : Motivational Speaker year 5 and 6

We were delighted to welcome Andy to school this week to talk to our year 5 and 6 children. Andy has faced real adversity in his life – losing his Mum to Leukemia at a young age, then, having suffered life changing injuries in an IED explosion while serving in the Royal Marines in Afghanistan, Andy decided to have his leg amputated to give him a better quality of life. Andy is now an Honorary Colonel in the Royal Marines and over the past 10 years has climbed some of the world's highest mountains, learnt to surf in California, bungee jumped in New Zealand and is the fastest single leg amputee in the world over 10k. Andy now uses his experiences to motivate and inspire others and has travelled all over the world sharing his story. Andy's story inspires a belief that any challenges and difficulties can not only be overcome, but surpassed, with the right mindset.

Please ask your child about this visit.



Summer Tombola £1 - Friday 9th July

Thank you so much for all the donations for this and we now have many prizes. This will work in the same way as the jar tombola and every child who buys a ticket will win a prize. Please be aware that the prizes are varied and suitable for adults and children and include toiletries, toys and games, chocolates, wine. We will be selling tickets week beginning the 21st June for a £1 and **there will be a prize for every ticket sold.**

Sponsored Bounce - Tuesday 6th July

This is one of our annual fund-raising events that involves all our children. We hire a bouncy castle for an afternoon and each class get a turn to go on. The year 6 children will count how many bounces each child can do in a minute.

A sponsor form is attached and will also be sent home. Please try your best to get 1 or 2 sponsors for your child and then return this form to your child's class teacher by Friday 2nd July.



Sun Cream and Hat

We are hoping that this lovely weather will continue. As children spend a lot of time outside during the school day we would ask that you apply high factor sun cream before they come to school and that they bring a sun hat and a water bottle. Please note this should just be water and not juice.

If your child brings sun cream to school, this must be in a bottle marked clearly with their name and if they are able, they will be asked to apply it themselves. If not please can you send a permission note in for staff to apply.

School Car Park

As you are all aware the space on our school car park is so limited and therefore the car park cannot be used to drop children off or pick them up from school.

Disability Parking Space

We do have a parking bay for people who have a blue disability badge. This week we have had a few visitors to school who are entitled to use this and it is important that this is kept free. To ensure that this is not blocked or used by others we have put cones there and a sign in place.



Please do not hesitate to contact school if you need to use this space at anytime.

Eco Club

If any parent is a keen gardener and has any spare bedding plants that they can donate to school, please can you help our Eco Club by sending them into school.

Thank you.

Newsletter Sponsorship

If you have a business and wish to advertise on our newsletter, please contact the school office. The cost is £30 for the year.



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