

## Clayton le Woods C E Aided Primary School



## With God We Grow

Headteacher: Mrs S Bashora

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

Dear Parents/Carers 25.03.21

As we come to the end of our Spring Term I'd like to thank all our staff, children and families for the fantastic support. It has been so good to have everyone back in school together. I have loved getting to know all your children over these last three weeks. We are so proud of the way our children have risen to the challenges they've been faced with recently. They are all working really hard in school and enjoying being back with friends. They deserve a relaxing holiday now – and an Easter egg or two!

Today in school we are having a day off our usual curriculum to enjoy an Easter Pause day. We will be exploring the different parts of the Easter story to gain a better understanding of this most important Christian festival — using drama, art, music, storytelling and our own creative skills. We'll be taking our learning outside too. In tomorrow's newsletter we will share the highlights with you with lots of photographs.

During the week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> April we will hold a Parents' Evening so that you can discuss your child's progress and wellbeing with their class teacher. These will be held on Teams and we will send further details after the break.

Fortunately we have been able to keep school fully open over the last few weeks. We need to continue to follow all government guidelines to keep everyone as safe as possible. A few children have been talking about having sleepovers at friend's houses and we have had to explain to them that this is not allowed under current guidance, or when the guidance changes slightly in the holidays. For further information please visit: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021-summary where the 'Roadmap out of Lockdown' is mapped out. Please bear in mind though that the plans are based on targets being met, and the government are able to impose further restrictions if needed. Currently, the main change regarding social contact is:

The evidence shows that it is safer for people to meet outdoors rather than indoors. And this is why from 29 March, when most schools start to break up for the Easter holidays, outdoor gatherings (including in private gardens) of either 6 people (the Rule of 6) or 2 households will also be allowed, making it easier for friends and families to meet outside.

If you child displays Covid symptoms, or receives a positive test result, during the first 48 hours of the holiday please let me know as soon as possible by sending an email to: <a href="mailto:head@clayton-le-woods.lancs.sch.uk">head@clayton-le-woods.lancs.sch.uk</a> as I will have to let others in that class bubble know that they need to self-isolate.

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When we return to school, on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April, we will be following the current guidance, including additional handwashing/sanitising, staggered start and pickup times, one way systems etc. until advised to modify it. Please remember:

- If your child displays any childhood ailment, please keep them at home for 48 hours to monitor their condition. If, after 48 hours, they are not displaying COVID 19 symptoms, they can return to school
- If your child, or anyone in your household displays symptoms of COVID-19, you must all isolate and book a PCR test.
- Lateral Flow Device tests are now being used more widely in the community, including by our staff. Please be reminded, they are used to test for asymptomatic cases only; they are not for confirming cases where symptoms are evident. No one should come to school if they are symptomatic be it staff member, family member or child, regardless of the result of a Lateral Flow Test. If an LFD test is positive, the household must isolate and PCR tests must be taken to confirm the result.

It is only by being vigilant that we can keep as many children as possible in school, for as long as possible.

We will close for the Easter break at the normal finish times tomorrow.

I'd like to wish you all a very Happy Easter and a relaxing break.

Take good care Mrs S Bashora

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