

# Thornhill Lees Infant and Nursery School Newsletter - November 2020

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Dear Parents and Carers.

We hope you had a lovely half term break with the children. The weather has turned much cooler, so please make sure that your child brings a coat to school with them every day. Please also ensure that all children's clothing is labelled.

# Wearing face masks on school grounds



Due to the current situation with Covid, please can we request that you wear a face cover, or mask (if you are able to) when coming onto the school premises. We want to keep everyone as safe as we can, and school open for all the children.

# School App



School Jotter Just a little reminder: please make sure you log into your school jotter app via the padlock at the top right hand side of your screen. This is

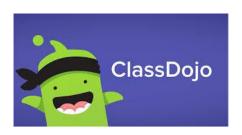
how you receive text messages from school linked to your child and their class.

If you do not know your login details (username & password) or are having problems with the app please speak to Mrs Parker in the office: (01924) 430548 or send her an email: rebecca.parker@thornhilllees.com

We want to make sure that all parents are connected to the jotter system, so you do not miss out on important specific messages. General and whole school messages will still be sent via Notices.

## Class Dojo

Please ensure you have downloaded the Class Dojo app and activated your account. Class Dojo is our remote learning and homework platform. Should you need to isolate or a full lockdown happens, this will be where the children's learning activities will be posted by their class teacher. The children's weekly homework will also be posted on here too.



#### Children in Need



On Friday 13th November 2020, we are inviting the children to come to school in sports clothes and bring £1 for Children in Need. The children will be engaging with some online activities led by Joe Wickes throughout the day.

#### Nursery and Year 2 Parents



The online applications for those children in Nursery and will be due to start Reception in September 2021 is now open. This is also the case for the children in Year 2 who will be leaving us in July 2021. You need to apply online through the Kirklees parent portal. Please complete these as soon as possible so your child gets a place in the school you wish them to attend. The closing date for doing so is 15th January 2021. If you need some help please speak to Mrs Parker in the office.

#### Places in our 2 Year Old Nursery



If you have a 2 Year Old or turning 2 soon, why not apply for our 2 Year Old Nursery. If you are interested, you can pick up an application form from the school office. For more details about funded places and to see if you qualify, please see the website: <a href="https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/childcare-and-early-education/free-early-education-and-care-for-2-year-olds.aspx">https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/childcare-and-early-education/free-early-education-and-care-for-2-year-olds.aspx</a>

#### **Birthdays**



We have several children in school with allergies so can we please ask that if you wish to send something into school for your child to share with their friends on their birthday, it comes in a sealed packet that we can send home with the class at the end of the day.

## Please help us to stop the spread of Covid 19



Thank you for your continued support.

# **Diary Dates 2020-2021**

School closes for Christmas Holidays: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020 School re-opens for Spring Term: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

School closes for Spring Half Term: Friday 12th February 2021

School re-opens: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021

School closes for Easter Holidays: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

School re-opens: Monday 12th April 2021

School closes for Spring Bank Holidays: Friday 28th May 2021

School re-opens: Monday 7th June 2021

School closes for Summer Holidays: Friday 23rd July 2021

## **Bank Holidays**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021

## **Inset Days**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

