



Langtoft Primary School

School Closure – Update #7

Friday 26 February 2021



SCHOOL TO OPEN TO ALL ON MONDAY 8 MARCH

Our school will be open to all pupils on Monday 8 March. Attendance is compulsory. We shall provide you with our revised Risk Assessment on Wednesday 3 March (via ParentMail and website). A summary guide of what children will need to bring to school on their return will be sent via ParentMail on Friday 5 March. In preparation, please have ready a cardboard box of tissues (named) and a bottle of hand sanitiser (named) for your child to keep on their desk top.

Opening schools to all children is the first step in the government's roadmap to easing the lockdown. If we, as a school community, get this right – the first test - it will be for the benefit of the whole country. We all did a great job last time. I know I can count on you to help again this time.

REMOTE LEARNING KEEP GOING. DON'T STOP!

Teachers have been setting shorter-to-complete, simple-to-understand activities for the core areas of reading, writing and mathematics. We explained this in *School Closure ~ Update #6*. Please do all that you can to support your child in completing the activities to the best of their ability so that they are prepared for their return on 8 March. Children not completing the activities will be at a disadvantage.

We are determined that all children will be supported to make the progress they need to make to return to the level of skill and understanding equal to, or higher than, that they had in December 2020. I truly believe that our children can achieve well again. It is going to take commitment and hard work. We can do this!

How can you help? Read, read, read with your child. Every day. Little and often. Reading is like a muscle: the more you use it, the stronger it gets...

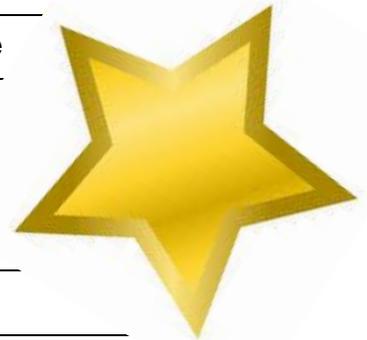


SCHOOL DINNER ORDER NOW!

Children in all year groups will be able to eat a cooked lunch provided by *The Farm Kitchen* on their return on 8 March. You must place your order by Tuesday 2 March. Remember, school dinners are free for all children in EYFS and KS1 – but still need to be ordered.

SUPERSTARS OF THE DAY

EYFS	Aurelio, Joshua, Isabella, Tristan and Nelly
Y1	Lucy, Freddie, Jack P and Jack F
Y2	Poppy, Emilia, Ava, Lettie, Rudi, Maisie, Oakley and Connie
Y3	Rhys, James, Huxley and Isla
Y4	Scarlet, Levi, Eva, Archie, Poppy and Barnaby
Y5	Hugo, Elliott, Rebecca, Ryan, Alex and Austin
Y6	Evie, Aaron, Oakley, Georgia and Dylan



ACHIEVEMENTS GREAT CHILDREN DOING GREAT THINGS!

- ✚ **Congratulations to Astrid** who won the Happy Beds competition to design a bed. Astrid won the competition last year. Watch the video link to find out more...

www.happybeds.co.uk/kids-dream-bedrooms/astrids-dream-bed

- ✚ **A gift from Ava may be waiting for you on a bench in Market Deeping...**

'...Ava's mum and I just wanted to let you know how proud we have been of Ava. During the last couple of weeks, following on from a school project set by Mrs Pennell in PSHE, she has spent her time creating and making little gifts with notes enclosed for the community of Market Deeping. She has left these gifts whilst on our walks to try and cheer people up...'



- ✚ **Harrison's Christmas gift to others...**



Dear Harrison,

Thank-you for taking part in our Christmas gift campaign. It was very helpful and kind of you to choose some presents for us.

We delivered these to children who might not have been lucky enough to get a visit from Santa. We are sure that the children had a smile on their faces Christmas day and are enjoying playing with the presents.

THE INFORMATION BELOW HAS NOT CHANGED FROM LAST WEEK

ADVANCE WARNING LATERAL FLOW DEVICE TESTING FOR STAFF

Staff who are in school are carrying out a test for COVID-19 using a lateral flow device (LFD). The device indicates if an asymptomatic adult is carrying the virus. Testing is being carried out on Sunday evening and Wednesday evenings. Staff are reporting the test result to me by 8:00pm that day.

Whilst this is great news in the step towards breaking the chain of transmission, it does mean that at very short notice it may be necessary to close a 'bubble' whilst the adult has a PCR test. As always, I will communicate this via ParentMail so please get in to the habit of checking your ParentMail inbox each Sunday evening and each Wednesday evening just in case. Obviously, no news is good news.

REPORTING TEST RESULTS FOR COVID-19

If your child is NOT attending school at the moment i.e. during lockdown, you do not need to inform the school if your child's test result is positive. This is because your child is not mixing with anyone in our school community and so it is not considered 'school business'.

If your child is attending school (because they fall in to the vulnerable group or because you are a Critical Worker), you **must keep your child at home if they or anyone else in your household has symptoms**. You **must inform the school of a positive test result** so that we can inform others who have been in close contact.