

What's On?

September

Wed 16 Y4 swimming (then every other week after)

October

Fri 23rd School Closes
HALF TERM

November

Tues 3rd School Re-opens

December

Fri 18th School Closes



thankyou

I just want to say a MAHOOSIVE thank you to you all for making our new drop off and pick up system work. You really are marvellous.

Having spoken to friends working in other schools, I am aware that not all Headteachers are having the same positive experience that we are, and that's down to our wonderful staff and you wonderful families! You are following our instructions and one-way system, trying to stay staying socially distanced and being really patient with us if things go a bit wrong.

If I could send each one of you a team point, I would! Thank you.

Mrs Y

Keep on Running!



Well done to all those of you that represented Worsthorne Primary School in the Burnley Virtual Mile which took place throughout July and August. We had the third highest number of participants out of all the schools taking part so we are feeling very proud.

We also came away with a number of medal winners too. Congratulations to...

Bronze Medallists

Alexandra Scott
Toby Collins
Tracy Mitchell
Lesley Leah



Silver Medallists

Mollie Collins
Francis Woodruff



Gold Medallists

Thomas Holden
Munro Harris
Sebastian Entwistle
Kevin Mitchell



***Choose to be optimistic; it feels better.* The Dalai Lama**

WELCOME



At last, our new Reception Class children have made their first visits to our school and we couldn't be happier! What a fabulous start they have made. This week, they have been in for half-days but they'll be spending the full day with us from Monday. Well done to all their mummies, daddies and carers for supporting them to make such a positive start in such challenging circumstances. We hope that this week has marked the start of a long and happy relationship with you all.



What to do if..



COVID 19 Absences: A Guide for Parents and Carers

Scenario	What to do	When can your child return to school?
Your child has symptoms of COVID-19.	<p>If your child has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a high temperature, which is a anything above 38°C in children; a new, continuous cough, which means coughing a lot more than an hour, or having 3 or more coughing episodes in the space of 24 hours; or a loss or change in their sense of taste or smell. They may notice that they can't taste or smell anything, or food / drinks might taste funny or different. <p>Then:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school. Telephone school to inform us. Get a coronavirus test. Inform us immediately of the test result. 	Your child can return to school if their coronavirus test result is negative.
Your child tests positive for coronavirus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school. Telephone school to inform us. Agree the earliest possible date for your child to return, which will be a minimum of 10 days from the receipt of a positive test. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. <p>Your child's class <u>will be sent</u> home to self-isolate for 14 days. The class teacher will provide Home Learning, which <u>must be completed</u> during the isolation period.</p>	If your child feels better and no longer has a temperature, they can return to school after 10 days. They can return even if they still have a cough or a loss of taste/smell as these symptoms may last for several weeks.

Accompanying this newsletter, you should find a guide to COVID-19 related absences, which should help you to decide what to do in various different scenarios.

Understandably, at home and at school, we are currently all on high alert around the symptoms of the virus so children are being taken for tests and having to remain absent until their results come through. We are also entering cold and flu season so it is going to get harder for you and for us to make decisions about whether it is safe for your child to be at school. If we all continue to take a vigilant approach and follow school policy, we will minimise the risks of transmission amongst our school population as much as we can.

Please try to avoid speculating about the illness or absence of children other than your own. I know that the rumour mill has been on full power this week! If we have a confirmed case of coronavirus in a pupil or staff member at our school, we will let you know immediately. The class and staff members of that 'bubble' will be sent home to isolate for 14 days and Home Learning will begin the day after.

We will **NEVER** keep a confirmed case 'secret' from you, so please trust that if there is something to know, we will be the ones to tell you. Spreading rumours about other children and families can be extremely damaging to relationships and must not happen. Thank you for your help with this.

This Week's Awards

Sadly, we haven't been able to hold our assembly this week. We're all set for a grand launch next Friday!



Getting back on the...

Seesaw

The class teachers are beginning to set homework for the children using the Seesaw app. We hope that you can all remember how to log on but if you are not sure, please get in touch with your child's teacher. If your child is absent from school due to self-isolation, quarantining, shielding, or a school/bubble closure, home learning will be set on Seesaw so it's a good habit to get into. Whilst we were in lockdown, the national curriculum was suspended and there was no statutory requirement for us to set work for you to complete at home. That has all changed now and we are legally obliged to provide school work. You will need to access Seesaw for this purpose.

Curriculum Recovery

It is a priority for us to get the full range of a broad, balanced curriculum up and running as quickly as we can so it has been lovely to see a wide range of lessons going on this week. Here are some of our Year Three children enjoying an art lesson. It was great to see the sketchbooks back in use.



Water, Water, Everywhere



As if life wasn't challenging enough at the moment, we arrived at school on Thursday to find a burst pipe in Year Six and water gushing out from under the sink into the classroom. Within minutes the room was under inches of water and the staff were all paddling in our bare feet to sweep the flood out of the door, move the furniture and resources into the hall and get ready for the children arriving. As a result, Year Six have spent two days in the hall. We are hoping for a return to normal on Monday. Fingers crossed that is our one and only disaster this term!