

Blakesley CE Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,



Yesterday, a record number of hot school dinners, 103, were booked and then served by our wonderful dinner staff. That number beat our previous record set at Christmas time. Not only did all the children appear to enjoy the meal served but they also enjoyed attending school in mufti. Thank you to everyone, our 'Census day' was a success.



Towcester Tesco Community Grants: Blakesley CE

Tesco Community Grants support thousands of local community projects and good causes across the UK. At the checkout, customers are given a blue token so that they can vote for their favourite charity to receive a grant. Therefore, we are very pleased to announce that Tesco in Towcester are promoting our Nurture Breakfast Club. It would be truly amazing to secure some substantial funding that would enable our provision to flourish further. Please encourage anyone you know to visit the store and place tokens into our collection box.

School uniform

Although we have continued to promote the wearing of PE kit to school on a child's PE day, we are aware the cold weather spell means warmer clothing may be required. There is not a limit to the number of layers of clothing that might be worn attending school but can all outer layers worn be either school uniform itself or at least the school colours? There is no need to be wearing pinks, oranges or vibrant day-glo colours.

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Covid 19

Yet again, the guidance regarding Covid and self isolation periods has changed. Please see the accompanying letter from Public Health Northamptonshire. The main points being:

- If an asymptomatic person produces a positive LFT test reading there is no need to seek a PCR test.
- The self-isolation period for people who record a positive test result has been reduced to 5 days
- Individuals may now take LFT tests on day 5 and 24 hours later on day 6 of their self-isolation period.
- Anyone who receives two negative test results and do not have a high temperature are no longer required to isolate and can return to their educational setting on Day 6.

Positive Covid cases are still being recorded within our school community. Please continue to be cautious, follow hygiene recommendations and be vigilant for symptoms. Refer to www.gov.uk for further clarification.

Although there is no obligation to do so, where and when possible, we will continue to notify parents/carers of positive readings that may affect their children. Any future changes in the guidance will also continue to be shared.

Mental Health and Wellbeing

Action for Happiness is a fantastic website with tips on managing wellbeing and mental health for the whole family. On 24th January, a talk is being held with Dr Radha Modgil , titled Know Your Own Power – “Learn how you can reframe the bad stuff, prevent overwhelm and overcome difficult times.”

The talk is online via Zoom at 7pm and is completely free. Please visit <https://www.actionforhappiness.org/> for further information.

Future Dates

- Parents’ Evenings 1st -3rd March 2022 Timings to be confirmed.

Should you have any questions, issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Laurie Hill

Headteacher

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