

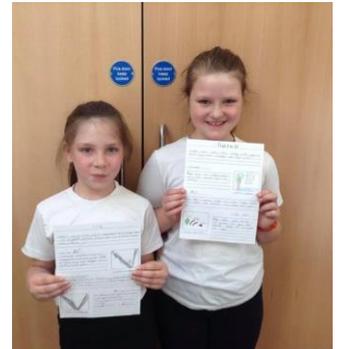


# Measham C of E News

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure that you will all now be aware of the extension to the current COVID-19 measures announced by the Government on Monday. This means that we will not be able to make any further relaxations to our risk assessments and will have to wait until the new academic year to get truly back to normal in school. We are as frustrated as I am sure you are, but we must follow the DfE and PHE guidance- with Covid cases on the rise again, we do not want to do anything that involves the children crossing bubbles inside as this could result in having to close to a class- which we do not want to do, especially in the run up to the summer holidays!



## Year 5 High School Collaboration

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, there is a live webinar by the LIFE MAT Headteachers to include a Q&A section. We are waiting for the virtual link which we hope to receive on Monday and we will then send it on to you.

## Staffing for 2021-2022

As we approach the end of the academic year, we have been busy making plans for the year ahead.

- We are really pleased that Miss Tinkler will be returning from maternity leave and will be re-joining our teaching team for the start of the Autumn Term 2021.
- With sadness, Mrs Whitmore will be leaving us on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June to take up a new role as Learning Support Assistant at another local primary school. We thank her for all her hard work during her time here and wish her every success for the future.

The staffing structure for the next academic year will be with your child's report which will come home on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

## End of Year Reports

Children's end of year reports will be sent home on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July. We will be sending out a link to a short survey on the same day which can be used if you would like to make any comments or to arrange a telephone call to discuss your child's report with their class teacher.

## Transition

As we write this newsletter, we have no information on the Year 6 transition to Ibstock or Ivanhoe. We are unsure if they will go ahead as they are unable to safely accommodate children from the many different feeder primary schools, whilst keeping them in their distinct school bubbles due to the current regulations.

We still intend to do our normal in school move up days, when the children spend time in their new class with their new teachers. As the children will move as a class/bubble and rooms/equipment will be wiped down in between sessions, we can still go ahead safely. Whilst this is taking place, we have fun activities planned for our current Year 6 children. More details to follow.



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## Have your say on new school term date options

Leicestershire County Council have launched a public consultation on school term and holiday dates for the five years between Autumn 2022 and Summer 2027.

They are seeking to capture people's views on three suggested options. The proposals cover term dates running for five years from Autumn 2022 to Summer 2027 and include:

- Keeping the 'traditional' county term time pattern, which offers an earlier summer holiday but means a longer autumn term
- Aligning the autumn and spring breaks in line with most other authorities, including Leicester City, but again means a longer autumn term
- Introducing a two-week autumn half-term break. This would leave terms 'more balanced' across the whole year but would result in shorter Easter break

More detailed information on these proposals and a chance to have your say via a short questionnaire can be accessed here [www.leicestershire.gov.uk/term-dates-consultation](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/term-dates-consultation)

The closing date for the consultation is **midnight on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July**.

## Parent Code of Conduct

At Measham CE Primary School, we are very fortunate to have a supportive and friendly parent body who recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between home and school. During the pandemic we have faced many challenges, the children have really struggled and have missed out on many things. The children (and staff) are all very tired and will welcome a break at half term. Measham CE staff continue to work tirelessly to support them through this period.

As we know from our work as educators, sometimes children make mistakes. Sometimes children can be unkind or are overly rough with their peers, which can be distressing for all concerned. As teachers, and with the support of parents, it is our job to help the children learn from their mistakes, put in appropriate consequences and encourage children to use different strategies in the future. We have a positive behaviour policy which aims to celebrate and praise the good work and achievement of the children.

Sometimes there will be occasions when a parent needs to talk to a teacher about concerns that they may have about their child and sometimes school will contact you to discuss our own concerns. We believe that staff, visitors and children are entitled to a safe and protective environment. We expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Respect the caring ethos of our school
- Understand that both teachers and parents need to work together for the benefit of their children
- Demonstrate that *all* members of the school community should be treated with respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech and behaviour
- Work with the school to reconcile a child's perception of events with other points of view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issues
- Approach the school to help resolve any issues of concern- please do not contact another parent or approach someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of the actions of this child towards your own child.

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## PFA – Are you sorting out your child's wardrobe?

On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June, we will be having a collection from 'Bags to School' of any clothing (no school uniform) that your children have grown out of. School receive a small donation per kg of clothing which will go back in to support your child's learning.

## Kids Cabin

Kids Cabin is back open for business if you are needing help with childcare. Please call into the office if you need more information.



## Pre-school

The consultation questionnaire for our pre-school has now ended. If you have any further questions, please email the school office.

## Covid-19

If there is a positive case of Covid with a child or a member of staff, the bubble will need to isolate for 10 days, and they will all receive remote learning.

## Remember if your child is displaying ANY of the three main Covid symptoms:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

You **MUST** request a COVID test immediately. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

**Please remember that if your child has symptoms they must get a full PCR test.**

Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Regards,

Sylvie Newman  
Executive Headteacher



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### Diary Dates

<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	New EYFS Stay and Play sessions	
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	EYFS, Y3 and Y4 – Animal Man visiting school	All day
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Non-uniform Day - £1 for the PFA	All day
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	KS2 Sports Day morning – no parents, sorry	Morning
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	EYFS & KS1 Sports Day morning – no parents, sorry	Morning
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Move up days in school	All day
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Move up days in school	All day
	After school clubs finish today	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 End of Term Trip	All day
	End of Year Reports out to parents	3.15pm
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 BBQ and Games morning	Leave 12.30pm
	School closed for Summer holidays	3.15pm
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August</b>	School reopens for Autumn Term	
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	School closed for Bank Holiday	

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