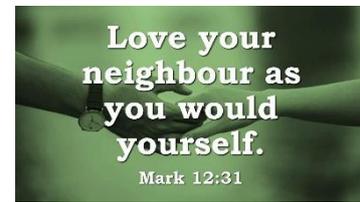




# Measham C of E News

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to start this newsletter by saying a big thank you to you all for the many kind messages of support that I have received this week following my positive Covid result. I am starting to feel stronger and hope to be well enough to return to school next week. This isolation period has taught me the importance of following the guidelines, keeping space from others and the need to get a test as soon as you notice any Covid symptoms. We all have our part to play in reducing coronavirus infections in our community.

We have enjoyed welcoming our Year 3 and Year 4 children back to school today. We would like to thank you for following the isolation rules and also for completing so much high quality remote learning. It has been a pleasure to see the effort that you have been putting in at home. Well done! We are looking forward to our EYFS children coming back on Monday and Year 5 on Tuesday.

### Remembrance

Last week we paid our respects in school and the children all helped to make our wonderful poppy and soldier displays that you see at the front of school and in the meeting room windows. We also took 8 Year 6 children to the War Memorial where we joined with a few members of the Community and representatives of the armed forces for 2 minutes' silence and to lay our wreath. The children were a super representation of the smart and beautifully behaved children in school. Thank you for all of your kind donations for the Poppy Appeal, they collected our donations last week.



### Children in Need

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November children came to school dressed in spots and/or yellow. The children did lots of fun activities in class. Thank you all for your support.



### Flu immunisations

If your child was in school today and you completed the online consent, your child will have had their flu immunisation by means of a nasal spray. Unfortunately, if your child was absent or isolating today and you completed the online form, you will be sent an email from the NHS giving you the opportunity to take your child to have their flu immunisation at a local pharmacy. The list of pharmacies is sent from the NHS.

### Chicks in school

We had 11 eggs delivered to school on Monday morning and within 48 hours, 10 eggs have hatched and we have a gorgeous set of little chicks. The children are loving watch them hatch and grow! And of course, the chicks will be named very soon! Watch this space....



### You shop. Amazon gives.....Everyone can help!

Covid is obviously making fundraising incredibly difficult for our PFA this year. We would be really grateful for your support. Please can we encourage people to take the time to sign up to **Amazon Smile**. It isn't

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going to earn us huge amounts of money but it is effectively money for nothing at a time when we are scratching our heads about how to bring any money in. The more people we can persuade to sign up, the better – parents/grandparents/other significant adults can sign up to help us out too. Thank you!

The scheme basically works as follows:

If an Amazon customer registers for Amazon Smile then they can select a charity they wish Amazon to donate to on their behalf. Amazon will then donate 0.5% of the price of their customer.

They must register with Amazon Smile and select their chosen charity. **If they use the Amazon app to shop then they must also activate the Amazon Smile option on their app (otherwise any purchases made on the app will not trigger a donation).**



How to register your Amazon account for Smile donations to Measham PFA:

Please use this link which will take you directly to the Smile page and allow you to confirm us as your chosen charity

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1101806-0>

**If you use the Amazon app, please use the above link to register and then:**

Go into the Amazon app

Click on the menu icon (three lines)

Click on "Amazon Smile"

Use the drop down to turn donations ON from the device you are using



### **PFA Christmas cards**

The children have come home with a Christmas card which they have designed. I think you'll agree that their designs are wonderful and I'm sure you'll be excited to order some for family and friends. If you wish to purchase your child's design, follow the instructions and order directly. We have managed to **extend the deadline for ordering to midnight on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November.**

(If your child is isolating, they will bring home their card next week)

### **School photos**

Your child has also brought home their school photo proof. The last day for bringing in the proof cards with your order is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November but the orders can be placed on line until Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November. We will arrange a small extension for the year 5 children who haven't got their proof cards yet.

### **Christmas Dinner Day**

We will be having a traditional Christmas Dinner in school on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. The dinner costs £2.30 and can be paid on line or cash at the office. If you are currently in receipt of either Universal or Free School meal you will just need to complete the letter which will be sent out next week.

### **Apply for a Primary School Place**

The deadline for applying for a Primary School place is **15th January 2021**. The simplest way is online at: [www.leics.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.leics.gov.uk/admissions) or you can collect a form from our school office. If you need any further information, please contact the Admissions team on [admissions@leics.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@leics.gov.uk) or 0116 305 6684.

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## Your Data Matters

For information about how we handle your data please refer to our Privacy Notice. You can obtain a copy from the school office, ask for a copy to be sent home with your child or download it from the school website.

## Contact Information

Please remember to regularly update the school office in writing if there are any changes to the contact details we have on record for your child, including people on your contact list who have permission to collect your child from school.

## If you are 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/>

Remember if your child develops non- COVID symptoms, i.e. cold, blocked nose etc. It is **your responsibility** to decide whether they are well enough to attend school. If they come to school, we will assume that they are well enough to be in school and will monitor them if the non-Covid symptoms are mentioned. If they are not well enough to attend school, you must follow the usual procedure. Call the office to say that your child will not be in school and give the reason.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, do not hesitate to contact school.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sylvie Newman'.

Sylvie Newman  
Executive Headteacher

## Dates

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	EYFS Space Day – postponed, new date to be released soon	All day
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	All day
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner in school	lunchtime
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Panto	All day
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Finish for Christmas holidays	3.15pm

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