



HEAD'S BLOG...

I'd like to start by wishing you all a happy new year although it may seem a bit of strange under the current circumstances.

Once again, we are all confronted with change, worry and new rules and expectations. As we settle into another new way of working, I am reminding myself and others that we can learn from and use learning from the past in all areas of our lives. What worked? What didn't? What can we share? What can we borrow? I am sure, as you plan to meet the challenges of home-working, remote education and lockdown, you will be able to navigate what needs doing, balancing expectations of your family and yourself. Most of all, remember that no-one can get it right every day and that's ok.

That said, please remember we are here—make contact with your class teacher, Mr Hobbs, Miss Jane, Mrs Moseley or me if you have a problem or a concern. If we know, we can help!

In addition, our wonderful PSA—Terri-Anne, - is still on call to help with any parenting issues. Let us know if you'd like her to make contact. In addition, if you are experiencing difficulties due to Coronavirus such as a positive test result, self-isolation or other unforeseen circumstances, please email:

bbsupport@celticcross.education or phone 01726 64322.

I am sure you will see that Remote Education is different this time, for the better, I hope you'll agree. Again, if you are having problems, let us know and we can attempt to work things out with you.

This newsletter is very much shorter than usual. I hope you'll understand the reasons why! Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Debbie Carmichael

Coronavirus reminders If your child develop any symptoms of Coronavirus (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell), s/he MUST NOT come to school and school must be informed. Call 119 or get a test online at:

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

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.

If you believe that your child is well enough to attend school and they have only symptoms of a 'common cold' such as: runny nose, sore throat or a mild cough they are permitted to attend.

NB: All absences must be reported to our school office by calling 01726 64322. You can leave a message if outside of office hours. Please DO NOT report absences via Class Dojo. Thank you

OTHER NOTICES

School Admissions

The online application process for Starting School in September 2021 is now underway. Detailed information about the admissions process is available online or on request from the School Admissions Team.

Please ensure you name **more than one preference**. It will not mean less chance of securing place at your preferred school. Please note that if you do not apply on time, your preferred school's may already be full.

If you need support with your application process, please contact the office, the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN RECEPTION IS 15th JANUARY 2021.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU APPLY IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO

PARENT SUPPORT

Friday 22nd January 2021 10.00am – 11.30am

The session will be open from 9.50am and will start promptly at 10am

Meeting the needs of children and young people with SEND

Free to attend via Microsoft Teams

Information Classification: PUBLIC



This session will provide parents/carers with:

- an understanding of the Graduated Response; Cornwall's approach to supporting children and young people with SEN
- an understanding into the levels of support schools and setting may offer
- the opportunity to ask questions and raise points for discussion
- suggested resources and templates
- signposting to documents and information which may be helpful

To book your place, please email michellepcc@outlook.com who will then send you an invite for the session



Together for Families

www.cornwall.gov.uk/senfile



Supporting young people, and their families, with positive mental health.

We recognise that this time of national lockdown may be difficult for children and young people. How a child or young person reacts to being away from school, and their normal routine, may vary according to their age, understanding, their previous experience of lockdown and how they typically cope with stress. Addressing the mental health of your child, and those in your family, can be supported with some of the following resources:

- Public Health England have produced the following set of guidance for parents and carers:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing>
- Every Mind Matters: A website that explores expert advice and practical tips to help you look after your mental health and wellbeing:
<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/>

May we remind you that, if you have concerns about your child's wellbeing, or the wellbeing or safeguarding of another pupil, please contact the school immediately on: 01726 64322