

COULDON CHRONICLE – WEEK 3 – SEPTEMBER 2020

Notes from the Head Teacher



I can't believe that we are at the end of week 2 already! The majority of children have continued to be excited and happy about being back at school, but some are also feeling tired as they adjust to their new routines.

We welcomed our new Reception children into school this week. They, too, have been excited and settled well into their new class and outdoor learning environments.

I wish you all a relaxing and restful weekend.

Attendance

Our overall attendance this week was 95.84%. We are now seeing the beginnings of the annual cold virus, and we have a few children with colds and sore throats. If your child is absent, please ensure that you advise the school no later than 9am on each day of the absence, stating clearly the symptoms of the illness. If your child has a high temperature, a new continuous cough, or a loss of taste or smell, please do not send your child into school, but contact your doctor for advice.

Punctuality

There are quite a few children arriving late to school. Please note that although the timings of the school day have changed, the rules regarding registration remain the same. Any child arriving more than 5 minutes late will receive a late mark, and this will be monitored by our Educational Welfare Officer.

Reception Class: 9:00am start
Years 1 & 2: 9:00am start
Years 3 & 4: 8:50am start
Years 5 & 6: 8:50am start

Next Week.....

The virtual "Meet The Teacher" sessions will be taking place during the evenings over the next week. This is a good chance for you to "meet" your child's class teacher, and find out what the class will be doing during the school year. If you have not already done so, please book a place on one of the sessions.

Reminders

Please can we remind all parents not to park outside or behind the Church Hall at drop off and pick up times, as the Year 5 & 6 children are using the car park gate as their entrance and exit. Please also keep the pavements clear around the school as we have received complaints from passers-by who are having to step into the road to get past. Reception Class parents please wait on the grass area opposite the entrance while you wait to drop off/pick up.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If any parents feel that they may be entitled to free school meals, please follow the link below for more details and advice on how to apply.

<https://www.croydon.gov.uk/education/schools-new/free-school-meals>

Nasal flu: The forms are being collected by the NHS School Nursing Team on Monday afternoon, so please ensure any outstanding forms are returned to the school office by this date. The vaccinations will be given on Friday 9th October.