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Good afternoon,

Over the past two weeks we have been supporting the pupils in getting back into the routines of school and they have responded fantastically. All the staff have been really impressed with how the pupils have settled down and next week we will be looking at finding out the gaps they have from a year of lockdowns. We also have some sad news this week about the retirement of an amazing teaching assistant so please read on to find out more.

RED NOSE DAY

Everyone looked great today in their non-uniform celebrating Red Nose Day. As I explained last week, unfortunately, we cannot take donations in school so I am asking all families to donate through the Red Nose Day website. The link for this is: https://donation.comicrelief.com/

MRS HOSKIN RETIREMENT

Unfortunately, I have the sad news to share that Mrs Hoskin will be retiring from Canon Johnson at the end of this term. She has worked at the school for over 22 years and will be greatly missed by staff and pupils. Mrs Hoskin retires during our Thankfulness week so if you would like to send a thank you message to Mrs Hoskin please could you email your thanks to my email mark.bidgood@canonjohnson.co.uk.

THANKFULNESS WEEK

During the last week of term all the schools in the trust will be celebrating with a thankfulness week. All the school community will be joining together to say thank you for all the support everyone gave each other during the lockdown this year. We will be sending our thanks to families during this week and I would like to share your thanks with the staff in school. If you have a member of staff that you or your children would like to say thank you to please send your message to me via email on mark.bidgood@canonjohnson.co.uk.

RECOVERY PLAN FOR PUPILS RETURNING TO SCHOOL

This week has been our second week in supporting the pupils return to school and reestablishing the routines across school. Next week will be GAPS week where we look at the gaps that may have developed during lockdown and the Senior Leadership Team support staff in creating interventions ready for the summer term after Easter. We look forward to sharing with you in the new term how we are supporting your children.





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RAPID LATERAL FLOW TESTING FOR HOUSEHOLDS AND BUBBLES OF SCHOOL PUPILS

Around 1 in 3 people with coronavirus (COVID-19) do not have symptoms but can still pass it on to others. Regular testing of people without symptoms (asymptomatic testing) is important to help stop the virus spreading. As lockdown restrictions gradually ease, we all need to play our part to help protect each other.

On Sunday 28 February, the <u>Department of Health and Social Care announced</u> that from Monday 1 March, households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return from Monday 8th March. Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary, secondary and college staff can also be tested. Twice-weekly testing will also be offered to adults working in the wider school community, including bus drivers and after school club leaders. The twice-weekly test kits can be accessed:

- via employers if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

The link to order Lateral Flow Testing kits is: https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

WEARING MASKS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Thank you to all the people that have worn masks on school premises this week. Whilst we cannot enforce this rule, we are asking that all families please follow it so we can keep the amount of COVID cases low as we have done so far.

Have a great weekend. Mr Bidgood

Headteacher





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Star of the Week Awards

Nursery-Willow

Reception- Hashim

Year 1- Leo

Year 2- Jacob

Year 3- Thaskin

Year 4- Madison

Year 5- Amelia

Year 6- Aisha

Headteacher's Award- Reception for improvement in phonics scores

Attendance: Year 3 99.7%

Punctuality: Year 5



