



# Gillingstool Primary School



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers

This is one final mini-newsletter to celebrate our final achievements this term and update you regarding plans for September in relation to COVID 19.

We have received the latest government and Local Authority guidance which states that life in school will revert pretty much to normal from September but our current systems will remain in place for the rest of this term.

**From September, there will be no staggered starts or finishes.** So we will all expect children to arrive between **8.45 - 8.55am** and pick up time will be **3.15pm** for everyone. Children will be able to return to having lunch in the hall, playtimes together and assemblies can resume in person. All of this is great news as we have missed coming together as a school.

From 16 August, anyone **under the age of 18 years** and four months or who has had both doses of the vaccine **will be exempt from having to isolate if they are identified as a close contact.** However, **everyone must still isolate if they have symptoms or test positive or are told to by NHS Test and Trace.**

Please be assured that we are keeping up to date with all the latest government guidance and will keep on working hard to keep your children safe. Please keep a close eye on Parentmail, the school website and Facebook over the holidays in case of any changes.

Have a great summer. Enjoy the sunshine. ☺

*Mrs C Carter*

## HOT CHOC HEROES

Children who are chosen for Hot Choc have gone 'Over and Above' consistently – working and behaving in an outstanding fashion for a sustained period of time. Congratulations to the following students who have done so well this week and enjoyed a Headteacher's Hot Choc delivered to their classroom. ☺



Daniel	Daniel H
Riley L	Karina
Lakira	Matt Noah

## 100 NIGHTS READING AWARD

Congratulations to Taylor in Y1 for receiving his special book from Miss Elsbury for 100 nights reading.

# COVID 19 – UPDATE

As the Delta variant is in circulation some South Glos schools are having to close bubbles. It is important we keep our precautions in place to keep our whole community as safe as possible. Please re-read the steps below to remind yourself of how you can support us at this crucial time.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP US?

- Check your family for the three main symptoms every day. STAY HOME and arrange a test if anyone has a **high temperature, new continuous cough or loss of taste and smell.**
- Other recognised symptoms are **sudden fatigue, sore throat, headache and diarrhoea** – especially in the first three days – the most infectious days - of the illness. You will not be able to get a test with these symptoms but please stay home to keep everyone safe.
- Arrive on time (not early or late).
- Only one adult to drop off and pick up.
- Maintain 2m social distancing whenever possible.
- **Make sure we have 2 emergency contacts (in case your child develops symptoms throughout the day).**
- **Answer the phone if we call. If a children develops symptoms, they must go home immediately.**

## GET YOUR UNIFORM READY FOR SEPTEMBER

We will be having a big focus on uniform from our return in September so please ensure your children return wearing the appropriate clothing and shoes.

### What your child needs for school

#### Standard Uniform

Royal Blue school cardigan, sweatshirt or fleece with school logo.

White or royal blue blouse, shirt or polo shirt

Black or grey trousers, shirt or dress

Black or grey tights or socks

Black shoes or black trainers with no coloured logos/laces.



#### Summer Uniform

Royal blue gingham summer dress

Black or grey shorts



#### PE Kit

White t-shirt

Black, navy or royal blue shorts

Black daps or trainers



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