

# Goodleigh C of E Primary School GOODLEIGH N Devon EX32 7LU

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy two weeks since returning to school and it has been a delight to see the children settling back into school routines. On behalf of myself and the staff we would like to thank you all for the overwhelming support that we have received from you. Your kind words of encouragement are much appreciated.

The latest government guidance requires school leaders to make judgments at a school level about how best to minimise the risk of coronavirus with appropriate control measures using existing resources. The guidance states:

"School leaders will be best placed to understand the needs of their schools and communities and to make informed judgments about how to balance delivering a broad and balanced curriculum with the measures needed to manage risk." (DfE Guidance for full opening: schools)

We've been working on identifying, improving and adjusting our arrangements to ensure that our environment is as safe as possible for pupils and staff. Further to previous communications shared with you relating to the school's mitigations we will share our updated arrangements on the school website next week.

Please bear in mind that our arrangements have been organised for Goodleigh C of E Primary School, and whereas you may hear, either locally or in the news, that things are being done differently in another school, the measures that we have put in place are specific to the context of Goodleigh C of E Primary School and are appropriate for our school community.

## Class Four, The Family Foraging Kitchen

The children had a wonderful day at the Family Foraging Kitchen. They learned how to forage and made their own chapatti, pesto and teabags. They also learned about foraging first aid as well as plant lore, botany and history.









#### Class Four Bikeability

The children have enjoyed improving their cycling skills this week.









Monday 21st September, Class Three, The Bear Trail

Please ensure your child wears their Forest School clothing and trainers (they will get muddy but wellington boots are unsuitable for the activities) and brings a spare change of clothes with a towel and shoes, a plastic bag, a packed lunch with a non-fizzy drink, sunblock, a hat and a waterproof coat depending on the weather. Your child will need to be dropped off at the Village Hall at 8.45 am prompt where Mr Roulstone will be waiting. If your child has been dropped at school by 8.30 am Mr Roulstone will escort them to the Village Hall. The children will return to school in time for their usual pick up.

# Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Class Three, Visit to Futures Farm

Please ensure your child wears their Forest School clothing and wellington boots and brings a packed lunch with a non-fizzy drink, sunblock, a hat and a waterproof coat depending on the weather. Your child will need to be dropped off at the Village Hall at 8.40 am prompt where Mr Roulstone will be waiting. If your child has been dropped at school by 8.30 am Mr Roulstone will escort them to the Village Hall. The children will return to school in time for their usual pick up.

#### Pupil Absence - First Day Contact Procedures

It is important that contact is made with the school at your earliest opportunity if your child is going to absent from school. If no contact is made we will telephone the primary contact first and in the event of no answer use any further emergency contact numbers provided to us in order to ascertain that your child is safe. It is advisable for parents or carers, in the event of a safeguarding concern, to ensure that one of your registered emergency contacts can gain access to your home to check that all is in order.

Please be advised that should our school process fail to locate a pupil we will risk assess the situation and decide further action which may include;

- Alert the Education Welfare Office to undertake enquiries on behalf of the school
- Continue to try and contact parent(s)/carer(s) and/or emergency contacts if the pupil is not considered to be at any increased risk
- Telephone the Police on 101 if not at risk of immediate significant harm but where there
  are escalated welfare concerns
- Telephone the Police using 999 if the child is considered to be at risk of immediate and significant harm or danger

#### Free School Meals

All children in EYFS, Year One and Year Two are offered a free school meal as part of the Government's Universal Free School Meals for infants programme. If you receive a benefit that gives entitlement to free school meals, please apply for this by visiting Devon County Council's citizen portal (details enclosed) as the school can get additional funding to support your child.

You may be eligible for free school meals if as a parent or carer you are in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190\*)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400\* a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

## **Privacy Notice**

A copy of the privacy notice is available on our website, paper copies are available upon request.

https://www.goodleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Privacy-Notice-how-we-use-pupil-information.pdf

## Parental Consent Forms (SOE3a)

Consent forms have been sent home today, if you require another form please email the office on <a href="mailto:admingoodleigh@goodlf.org.uk">admingoodleigh@goodlf.org.uk</a>. Please complete and return the form as soon as possible.

Please can you ensure that your child has a waterproof coat, water bottle and their PE kit in school every day. Please also clearly label all of your child's clothing.

Kind regards,

Claire Grant

#### Executive Headteacher

## Diary Dates

Monday 21st September	Class Three, The Bear Trail, departing from the Village Hall
	at 8.45 am and returning within the school day.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Class Three, Visit to Futures Farm, departing from the
	Village Hall at 8.40 am and returning within the school day.
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Non Pupil Day
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term

<sup>\*</sup>Figures taken from gov.uk but may be subject to change if you are in any doubt please apply.

## **Important Information**

Coronavirus symptoms are any of the below either individually or all:-

- New continuous cough
- High temperature
- A loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste

If you have symptoms, and need to access testing, please visit <a href="nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test">nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test</a> or call 119.

If you have tried to book a test either **online or via 119** and have failed there is an urgent email: <a href="mailto:d-ccq.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net">d-ccq.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net</a> this will take you to the relevant link (see below).

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School aged Children (5-18)

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