## OTTERBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL



# Weekly Newsletter – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## **Otterburn Primary School & Nursery**

**Attendance** 

Week ending: 11.09.2020

Reception: 98%

Year 1: 93%

Year 2: 84%

Year 3: 89%

Year 4: 98%

Year 5: 99%

Year 6: 100%

Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in school every day and not missing

valuable learning time.

#### **Upcoming Events:-**

1<sup>st</sup> October – Parent Pay available to use

7<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations

8<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Individual Photographs

23<sup>rd</sup> October – Last day of Half Term

2<sup>nd</sup> November – Teacher Training Day

3<sup>rd</sup> November – Children return to school



#### **COVID-19 New restrictions**

A gentle reminder to observe and respect the new government restrictions relating to socialising outside of school. We thank you for all your support.

New regulations & guidance copied from the government website:-

From Friday 18 September, regulations will ban the following:

- residents must not socialise with other people outside of their own households or support bubble in private homes and gardens
- hospitality for food and drink will be restricted to table service only
- late night restriction of operating hours will be introduced, with leisure and entertainment venues required to close between 10pm to 5am

Residents are also advised to adhere to the following guidance to further reduce rates of infection:

- not to socialise with other people outside of their own households in all public venues.
- only to use public transport for essential purposes, such as travelling to school or work
- take holidays only within your own household or support bubble
- avoid attending amateur and semi-professional sporting events as spectators

We understand that these new restrictions may have caused issues with childcare, as a school we are trying to keep as many of the clubs running but we also have staff that are suffering the same childcare issues.

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## **Parent Pay**

We are going cashless from Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October. We have our final training on the new parent pay system at the end of this month and then should be all set up to take payments online. We will send out further instructions soon.



#### Reminder - Homework - Years 1-6

Homework will start next Friday and tasks will be set via Doodles Maths & Doodle Spell. These tasks are to be completed by the following Wednesday. Logins for Doodle are in your child's reading record. If you do not have a device to access Doodle, there will be a homework club held in school on a Wednesday lunchtime.

Homework tasks will gradually be added each week during this half term.

## After School Clubs W/C - 21st Sept 2020

Monday - Sports Club (Year 3-6) Go Noodle Club (Nur-Y2) - 3.15pm-4.30pm

Tuesday – PE Club (Year 3-6) Craft Club (Nur-Y2) - 3.15pm – 4.30pm

Wednesday - No Activity Clubs - Childcare Club only

Thursday - Keep Active Club (Y3-6) Allotment Club (Nur-Y2) - 3.15pm-4.30pm

Childcare Club Available Mon-Thurs until 5.30pm

Breakfast Club available Mon-Fri. 7.45am – 8.45am

#### **Charges Apply**

To book clubs please contact the school office

#### **Parent Consultations**

The dates of parent consultations will be as follows

Wednesday 7th October for KS1 (Afternoon Appointments only)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October for KS2 (Morning Appointments only)

Thursday 8th October for EYFS (Morning Appointments only).

Due to the current COVID situation parent consultations will take place this term via a telephone conversation with your child's teacher. As the school has only one telephone line, classes will have different appointment days. This will also cause the school telephone line to be busy. On the scheduled appointment days contact with the office will need to be via email.

You will be able to choose a telephone call slot in the same way you would have a face to face appointment time. You will be asked for the telephone number you wish to be contacted on on the booking form.

If you are unable to take part in this process on the day of appointments you may request an alternative day which will be arranged at a later date.

Appointments will be for a maximum of 10 minutes. There will be no scope to extend this on the day due to the next parent waiting for their appointment call. If you need further time with your child's teacher please let them know so that an additional appointment can be arranged.

Forms will be sent out via parent mail next week