



Hi all,

15.09.20

### **Welcome back!**

It has been lovely to see all of our children back at school and looking so very smart in their new uniform! Thank you for your patience and understanding around the uniform collection.

Our children have got right back into their learning and have enjoyed seeing their friends again! We are so pleased with the great attendance we have had so far. Thank you again for working with us in supporting the safe re-opening of school!

### **Covid 19 Update**

Just a few things to mention around Covid 19:

#### **Social Distancing**

A reminder that families coming to drop off or pick up children must be socially distant from other families. We have provided spaced out entrances and exits for each year group where possible so that there is plenty of room to spread out. If it is too busy where you need to be just wait further back, we are giving extra time for drop offs and pick ups.

#### **Closing Parts of School**

There may come a time when we are forced to close one or more year groups. This will happen if we have had a positive covid test within the year group or if we have too few staff to safely run the year group because of Covid related staff absence. If this happens we will give as much notice as possible, either the day before or before 7am on the morning of the closure, at the very latest.

#### **Home Learning**

We are currently working on providing a range of activities and learning on our website [www.knowleswood.co.uk](http://www.knowleswood.co.uk) for those children who are in isolation at home.

#### **Unwanted Behaviour**

As part of our risk assessment we have made it clear that children must remain in their own classrooms and/or with their own key stage groups. If children choose to leave the classroom and are running around school their parents / carers will be asked to pick them up and take them home. This is a serious breach of the Covid 19 Risk Assessment. If it continues to happen exclusion will be the next step.

Please see on the next page for further guidance on how to decide whether you should keep your child at home or not.

### **News and Events**

Hello Yellow Day – we will be taking part in Hello Yellow day again on 9<sup>th</sup> October. This is a great opportunity for the children to think about the importance of having a healthy mind and links in well with all of our work around health and wellbeing. On this day the children are invited to wear yellow... the crazier the better!

Trips outside of school are going to be impossible for the foreseeable future due to Covid 19 but please feel reassured that our teachers are planning creative and purposeful experiences within school in order to engage the children in their learning and topics.

As always, do not hesitate to get in touch via the office if you have any questions and take care.



Should I send my child to school or keep them at home during the Covid 19 pandemic.

If your child is poorly please think....

Would you have kept your child off school before Covid?

Yes

No

Keep your child off school.

Do they have:

A new continuous cough?

A temperature of over 38° using a thermometer?

A complete loss or change of taste or smell?

Yes

**DO NOT** send your child to school. Stay at home.

Speak to 119 or go to the [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus) website to arrange a Covid test.

Your child and your household must self isolate until you have test results.

No

Does your child have an underlying medical condition?

No

Yes

Seek advice from the child's specialist team, consultant or GP before sending them to school.

Children who are usually well with:

Runny nose

Sore throat without a temperature

Mild cold

**CAN go to school AS NORMAL**