



Weekly Family Newsletter

Monday 31st October 2022

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		F2 Big PE day New to F2 Open Evening	Y2 Big PE day	Y1 Big PE day	9 am Celebration Assembly
And next week ?	New to F2 Open Evening	F2 Big PE day	Y2 Big PE day 3pm Christmas Song and Dance After School Club	Y1 Big PE day 3pm Football After School Club 4.30pm F2 Curriculum Expectations meeting	9 am Celebration Assembly



Attendance for the week ending 21st October 2022:

Class	Attendance (%)
Miss Clewes	89.6
Mrs Hibberd	95.7
Miss Dale	95.8
Mr Folmer	91.3
Mrs Stanton/ Mrs Hipkin	89.2
Mrs Timmons	85.6

Whole school attendance = 91.3%

Dates for the diary

'New to F2' Open Evenings

Tuesday 1st November at 4.30 pm

Monday 7th November at 4.30 pm

F2 Curriculum Expectation Meeting

Thursday 10th November at 4.30pm

Flu nasal vaccinations

Thursday 17th November (*If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please follow this link to complete an online consent form;*
<https://www.nhs.uk/FLU/information?id=107038&Type=FLU>)

Children in Need Day—The Great Spotacular

Friday 18th November

Christmas!

We are busy finalising plans for Christmas this week.

In order to give you as much notice as possible, events and diary dates will be shared with you next week.

Welcome back!

It has been great to welcome everyone back today. I hope that you all had a great break and are refreshed and ready for the half term ahead. It is one that is always busy as we prepare for Christmas, so please keep an eye on the weekly newsletters for important dates linked to our Christmas plans.

Curriculum maps

This week you will be receiving your child's curriculum map, which details their learning for this half term, and ways in which you can support them at home.

Parent's Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to parent's evening in the final week. We had a fantastic turn out with 89% of the families making an appointment! It was great to welcome you back into school for this again, and we hope that the meetings were informative and helpful. If you were unable to attend a meeting, please speak with your child's class teacher who will be happy to arrange a time to meet with you to discuss your child's learning.

Fantastic Finish

We really enjoyed our visit from the Fire Engine for our fantastic finish in the final week. A big thank you to Sarah and members of our local fire crew for giving up their time to show our children the important role they play in looking after them, and helping to keep our communities safe. You can view all the photos of the visit on Tapestry (<http://www.tapestryjournal.com/>)



F2 curriculum expectation meeting – rearranged date

As you are aware, we had to postpone our F2 curriculum expectation meeting due to staff absence. The new date for this meeting will be **Thursday 10th November at 4:30pm**. The meeting will take place in the school hall, so please use the main entrance. Please follow the link below to let us know if you are planning to attend this meeting.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/443245558397>

Children In Need (November 18th) - Spotacular!

Every year we join in with **Children In Need** to help raise money for this important charity, as well as raise awareness about the valuable work it does across the country and within our local community. On November 18th we are asking children to come to school dressed in spots, with a donation of £1, for a **SPOTacular day!**

Foodbank collection

This year, each school in the Family of Schools, led by their school council, is taking it in turn to collect food for this vital resource in our community. Thank you to everyone who brought in donations to school on the last day of term when it was our school's turn for collecting food. You have all been so generous!



School Council Visit to Westfield

On the last day of term our school councillors joined together with the councillors from the Junior School, as well as other councillors from the Family of Schools, to plan the school council events for the upcoming year. They had a wonderful day and were a credit to our school. They took part in team building games and activities, a litter pick and planning activities. Well done school councillors!

Superkids - reminder

Superkids afterschool club is becoming more and more popular and some days are either full to capacity or nearly full.

We are currently full every Thursday for the foreseeable future. Any future bookings requested for a Thursday will need to go on our waiting list. We will contact you if any places become available. It is advisable to get any requests that you know you need in as early as possible to avoid any disappointment.

Please ensure that any bookings you have made but no longer require are cancelled in advance, no later than 10am on the morning of your booking, so that we are able to offer the place to another child.

There is now a new email address you will need to use in order to book into Breakfast Club and After School Club. Please email **superkids@halfway-inf.sheffield.sch.uk**.

Nursery News

Nursery would be grateful for donations of girls' and boys' fancy dress costumes, and also of men's waist coats, shirts and ties.

COVID-19 – Reminders

Can I access the school site if I have tested positive for COVID-19?

We kindly ask that anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 does not come onto school site, so that we avoid the spreading of the virus to other pupils, families and staff. Should this pose difficulties for you with dropping off and collecting your child from school, then please contact the school office.

The guidance below is taken from the government's website and can be found in full at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19>

When children and young people with symptoms should stay at home and when they can return to education - Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should, where they can, stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

All children and young people with respiratory symptoms should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should, if they can, try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults. Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.

NHS website updates

The NHS website has also been updated to reflect common COVID-19 symptoms and advice on what to do if your child is unwell. The link can be found at https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/?utm_source=07%20April%202022%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19.



BONFIRE LUNCH MENU

Thursday 3rd November 2022

Hot Dog or Quorn Hot Dog

Served with

Chips, Sweetcorn & Peas

For Dessert

Chocolate Muffin