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'One federation family, with transformation at its heart'

Friday 19th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Certificates

Stars of the week -

Play School – Romany B - *For being super helpful to adults and other children.*

Class 1 – Harry - *Excellent effort in all lessons this week, and trying his very best to apply his phonic skills to his writing.*

Class 2 –. Sapphire F - *Amazing reading at home and in school as well as some super writing for her song.*

Class 3 – Layla F- *For being adventurous in her maths*

Children receiving praise postcards from the headteacher this week –

Being collaborative – Olivia G

Being curious – Alaia M

Being positive – Portia N

Being knowledgeable – Liam M

Being knowledgeable – Izzy H

Being knowledgeable – Bailee L

School lunches next week

Monday – Chees and tomato pizza

Tuesday – Cheesy pasta bake

Wednesday – Sausage in a bun and chips

Thursday – Meatballs

Friday – Fish and chips

It would seem that with the vaccination program going so well and a road map being published complacency is now the challenge that we face. In the past few days, I have been made aware of bubble closures in some local schools and even a full school closure due to bubbles mixing in and out of school therefore **please can I remind** everyone that it is advised to wear a face mask at the school gates and certainly when entering school property. We have asked you to do this to protect yourselves and the staff to avoid any potential of passing on Covid 19.

Could I also continue to remind you that support care bubbles can be formed but this should only be with **one** other household and this should remain consistent throughout this period of lockdown and until the government advises otherwise. It will be inevitable that as we progress through this academic year we will identify areas that we may have to change in order to improve systems, adjust our curriculum and keep our children as safe as possible but be assured these will be made to allow the best possible education for your children.



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Support bubbles

Who can make a support bubble?

Not everybody can form a support bubble. However, on 2 December the rules changed to widen eligibility for forming one.

You can form a support bubble with another household of any size if:

- **you live by yourself**
- **you are the only adult in your household** who does not need continuous care as a result of a disability
- your household includes a child who is under the age of one or was under that age on 2 December 2020
- your household includes a child with a disability who requires continuous care and is under the age of 5, or was under that age on 2 December 2020
- you are a single adult living with one or more children who are under the age of 18 or were under that age on 12 June 2020

You should not form a support bubble with a household that is part of another support bubble

Nurture schools

Across the federation, we are currently working towards becoming a nurture school, but what does that mean for you and your children?

What is Nurture?

'To Nurture is to care and protect someone or something while they are growing'

What does a Nurturing School mean?

Nurture schools are increasingly being introduced across primary, secondary and early learning settings. Research clearly shows the impact that Nurture can have on attainment as well as social and emotional wellbeing. At the heart of Nurture is a focus on wellbeing and relationships and a drive to support the growth and development of children and young people. A Nurturing approach has been promoted as a key approach to supporting behaviour, wellbeing, attainment and achievement in schools.

What is a Nurture Group?

Nurture groups offer a focused intervention that addresses barriers to learning arising from social, emotional or behavioural difficulties, in an inclusive, supportive manner. The Nurture group works alongside the whole school Nurturing approach.



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Red nose day

Thank you to all who have donated to support comic relief today, our page will remain open until the end of next week. We have a donations page set up on our ParentPay site which will send funds straight to comic relief - <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2861>

Reading

Don't forget you can still access your child's eLibrary at any time- we will be changing the books less regularly because there will be books available on there to read too. Please make sure that you are accessing a range of paper and electronic books to ensure that your child is reaching their full reading potential.

<https://ops.collinsopenpage.com/sso/login?service=https%3A//ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/wr/index.html&eulogin=true>

Play School and Reception

As we encourage independence in Play School and Class 1 could you please ensure clothing and shoes are suitable for children to have a go at putting on themselves. Coats with buttons and shoes with laces are tricky for little fingers.

Easter eggs

A huge thank you to Lilly's sandwich shop and bakery who donated the wonderful Easter eggs for all our children to enjoy.

Easter Holiday

School will close on Friday 26th March for the Easter holiday. We will reopen to children on **Tuesday 13th April.**

Community news

Easter Raffle

We are very pleased to be supporting Sherburn Playing field association with their Easter raffle, tickets are £1 per strip and available from the school office.

Easter service

Sherburn Methodist church will be holding an Easter holy communion service on Sunday 4th April at 10.30am. Rev Bruce will be conducting the service and children can bring flowers to decorate the Easter Cross.

Have a great weekend

Ian Taylor