



MILTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL Number 5 8 October 2020

PARENT/CARER'S NEWSLETTER

Welcome to this week's roundup – and remember you can also keep up to date at

www.milton.cambs.sch.uk

Dear Parents/Carers,

COVID Update

Flu Vaccination

Public Health Colleagues have updated our guidance to this where we have been asked to share this information with parents:

We have been made aware that some parents are concerned that if their child develops a high temperature after having the vaccine, they won't know whether to isolate and book a test or not for Covid-19. [This poster](https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/asset-library/Corona-Virus-Schools/NHS-Flu-Poster.pdf) emphasises why it is important to get the flu vaccine: <https://www.cambslearntogether.co.uk/asset-library/Corona-Virus-Schools/NHS-Flu-Poster.pdf>

and this link <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/> may be useful too. The nasal spray flu vaccine can cause a mild fever which should respond to paracetamol. This does make it difficult to distinguish from Covid. However, the important thing is the timing - does it occur soon after the vaccination, in which case it is more likely to be due to the vaccine. Giving the child a flu vaccine means that the family is less likely to get flu so less likely to need testing and self-isolation.

Returning to school after a period of isolation

We have had several queries relating to isolation and whether children can just return after their period of self-isolation has ended. We have confirmed this with colleagues in public health who have advised the following –

My child has had a negative test result, can they just return?

You do not need to self-isolate if your test is negative, as long as:

- everyone you live with who has symptoms tests negative
- everyone in your support bubble who has symptoms tests negative
- you were not told to self-isolate for 14 days by NHS Test and Trace – if you were, see [what to do if you've been told you've been in contact with someone who has coronavirus](#)
- you feel well – if you feel unwell, stay at home until you're feeling better

If you have diarrhoea or you're being sick, stay at home until 48 hours after they've stopped.

My child has had a positive test result and has completed 10 days of self-isolation, can they now return?

If a child/member of staff receives a positive test result, they can return to the setting/school once they have isolated for 10 days from the onset of symptoms (or 10 days after the date of the test if asymptomatic) as long as they have not had a temperature for 48 hours.

Travel advice – half term (pupils)

We know that lots of pupils may have holidays booked already in half term. The current list of countries that have travel corridors with the UK and where an isolation period is not needed on their return can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>

If a pupil returns from one of the destinations not on this list, **they will be required to isolate for 14 days and not attend school**. The government messages continues to be against 'all but essential' international travel. Please let us know if this is the case for your child so we can mark the absence correctly.

Individual School Photographs

The photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 4th November** in order to take individual and family photographs. (Families with pre-school siblings that would like their photos taken together, please come to the school at 8.30 am KS1 Hall)

World Mental health Day – 9th October 2020 (Tomorrow)

Can children please come to school wearing an item of yellow clothing to raise funds for the charity 'Young Minds'. Voluntary donations of £1 to this charity would be much appreciated, please give these to your child's class teacher. The theme this year is supporting young people and letting them know they are not alone. We will be doing linked activities with the children in school to mark this day.

Teacher Communication

I know we are all facing challenges of not being able to communicate as we used to face to face as the opportunities are really limited currently.

Please can I ask you all to send any messages about absences, illnesses, medical appointments and such like to the office@milton.cambs.sch.uk email address as this all needs to be logged and administered by the office team.

If you have a message that requires an immediate same-day response, please also send that communication via the office as teachers cannot monitor their mail whilst teaching their classes.

If it is a more general query or something that can wait a little longer, you may use Tapestry/teacher email and teachers will respond during their non-contact time. Now we are back working in school, please be mindful of sending out of hours communications and do not expect a same day (evening) response, as we need the team to be fresh and ready for their teaching the day ahead.

Parent Consultations

Please book your online appointment slot(s) if you haven't already done so.

Midday Supervision vacancies

Please email the office for an application for if you are interested.

The successful candidate(s) will

- contribute to making lunchtimes safe, positive and productive for our children
- be able to make good relationships with children and adults alike
- have high expectations for pupils' behaviour
- be well organised and able to work well as part of a team
- respond positively and cheerfully to the variety of tasks
- be in sympathy with our school's Christian ethos

We can offer:

- friendly children
- a welcoming supportive team
- training for the task

We have an excellent staff team and are a very popular and successful Church of England village primary school.

Hours of work will be weekdays 11.15 - 1.45 pm term time only. Salary Scale Point 2 £17,711 pro-rata (£9.18ph STC)

You can work every day or just one or two days a week. Please let us know your availability.

The Governing Body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will undertake an enhanced DBS check.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Anna Reeder