



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We continue to be so proud of all our children and families for the resilience and determination everyone is showing to work through these tricky times. Since fully reopening our school to all our children, we have continued to focus on everyone's wellbeing, as well as ensuring the children returned to structure and routine within the classroom. We are continuing to assess every child's needs and we will put further support in place for those who need it after Easter.

I would also like to thank you for your support in following all our measures to make our school as safe as possible. We are really impressed with how well our staggered drop off and collection times are working.

### **Parent's Evening**

We are unable to hold Parent's Evening in the usual way again this term and, just like we did in October, teachers (Reception to Year 6) will be calling parents to discuss how children have settled back into school this term.

Teachers will call parents after school on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March (3.30 – 4.30pm), Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March (3.30 – 6.00pm) or Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March (3.30 – 5.00pm). If you have a preferred day and timeframe, please email [enquiries@grimoldby.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@grimoldby.lincs.sch.uk) or call the office on 01507 327393 by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March and your request will be sent to your child's teacher.

Our Nursery staff will begin to contact parents via telephone from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March until the end of this term, to update you about your child's progress.

It is important that these phone call appointments last no more than 5 minutes. As we always say, you are welcome to call or email us at any time if you have concerns or questions, and we will get back to you as soon as we possibly can. Please do not feel as though you have to wait for Parent's Evenings to discuss how your child is getting on.

### **Attendance**

If your child or anyone in your household displays symptoms of COVID-19, you and everyone living in your household must self-isolate immediately. The member of the household displaying symptoms must book a PCR test at a testing site or order a home kit. Many parents are now self-testing at home twice a week using NHS LFD tests. These are to test for people that are asymptomatic and should not be used by anyone displaying symptoms.

The symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- A new continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.



- A loss or change to your sense of taste or smell – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything or things smell or taste different to normal.

Children do not need to stay away from school if they have a sniffle or a common cold unless – of course – they are not well enough to be here. We understand any signs of illness may make you feel more anxious than normal and if you are in any doubt or are unsure of what to do, please contact school via email or telephone. We are always here to offer advice, explain Government guidance or support you in any way we can.

Work is uploaded to Teams or Tapestry (Reception Class) every week. Children can immediately access this at home if they do have to self-isolate.

### **End of the Spring Term**

The last day of term is **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**. Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April is a staff training day, where staff will be in school getting ready for the Summer Term. We will reopen again on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April**.

Thank you so much for the amazing efforts you have all made to celebrate Red Nose Day 2021. School has been full of smiles, happiness and excitement and this is just the way it should be. We really do have the best children, staff, parents and local community at Grimoldby Primary School and we continue to work together in unity. This term in school we have been focusing on our school value of inspiration and every day I see the very best examples of everyone at our school being an inspiration to each other.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Antonia Brooks  
Headteacher