



THE ROOKERIES  
CARLETON

JUNIOR, INFANT  
& NURSERY SCHOOL

FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER

Dear Parents and Carers

Following what has undoubtedly been a difficult week for many of us, I wanted to take this opportunity to express how pleased and proud I am of pupils at the Rookeries for how they continue to conduct themselves. All week, I have seen classrooms filled with pupils learning and working hard; children coming to school with beaming smiles and playgrounds full of laughter and chatter among friends.

I also wanted write to you and to reassure you of the meticulous approach we have at the Rookeries with all the strict and highly effective infection control measures we implement on a daily basis.

Since the school reopened in September, we have made a conscious effort to maintain the high standards of our risk assessment, which was validated by an external specialist company, in all areas of school. Consequently, we diligently follow all these procedures of infection control as we continue to battle the virus.

As a school and community, it is important we continue to follow the one-way system around school and stick to the staggered start times for each year group in order to reduce the number of parents and carers we have on site at any one time. It is also vital that only one parent or carer accompany each pupil and that we all follow the guidance around social distancing while on the school premises.

#### **Face coverings**

As a school we continue to follow the current advice around face coverings for outdoor spaces. Although these are not yet compulsory for staff, parents and carers, should you wish to wear a face covering at drop-off or pick-up the school will respect your decision.

#### **Remote learning**

Should for any reason we need to close a bubble, to ensure the safety of the rest of school, we will make sure that every child in the affected bubble will receive a quality home learning pack and access to live lessons. More details regarding the work pack, live lessons, how they will run and the supporting materials that will be available online will be sent to the affected bubble at the time of its necessary closure.

I would like to thank you for all your ongoing support so far in this most challenging and difficult time.

Kind regards

Richard Grogan  
Headteacher

## Attendance

Class	Attendance
Nursery	100%
Reception	99.9%
Year 1	99.6%
Year 1/2	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 3/4	100%
Year 4	98.2%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	99.2%

## Pontefract Civic Society Poppy Display

A huge thank you to everyone who brought in a home- made poppy for the Pontefract Civic Society. These donations along with poppies from the other schools in our Trust have helped to create a fantastic Remembrance display as a point of reflection for the town of Pontefract.

## Diwali Celebrations

This week our Reception class children learned about the Diwali celebrations. They sampled some of the food eaten during the Diwali Festival of Light and learned all about this special Indian festival.



## **BBC Children In Need 2020**

This year, we are taking part in Children in Need on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November. In addition to normal school uniform children may wear a Pudsey Bear headband, badge or wristband or they may also wear a spotty t-shirt or Children in Need T-shirt (instead of their usual school shirt).

Please bring a £1 donation to school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November to help raise money for this wonderful cause if you can.



## **Flu Immunisations**

The school nurses will be in school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November to administer the Flu Immunisations. The consent forms were handed to parents to complete in September. If your circumstances have changed since your form was returned, or if you did not receive a form please contact the school office as soon as possible.

## **School Uniform Stockists**

Our School Uniform stockists are both still operating and orders can be made for school wear, book bags and PE kits.

Signature Retail, Ropergate, Pontefract

Signature Retail are operating a click and collect system as well as accepting orders online through their website [www.signatureretail.co.uk](http://www.signatureretail.co.uk)

If you would like to make a purchase via phone, please telephone 01977 600324. Payments can be made over the phone and items can be collected at certain times.

Better and Bright Schoolwear

Better and Bright Schoolwear are currently taking orders through their website: [www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk)

Alternatively, you may purchase items by calling 07486 140776 or 07837 078981

**Star of the Week Certificates**



<b>Class</b>	<b>Star of the Week</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Alice</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Noah</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Muhammad</b>
<b>Year 1/2</b>	<b>Oliver</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>James</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Laurie</b>
<b>Year 3/4</b>	<b>Reuben</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Jensen</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Logan</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Blake</b>
<b>HI &amp; Deaf Resource</b>	<b>Harrison</b>

**Thank you for your continued cooperation and support**