

Thursday, 22nd April 2021

Laughter, Smiles and Fun.

Dear Parents/Carers,

School Visits and Visitors

The rules around school visits and visitors have begun to change over the last few weeks with indication that we can begin day visits now, and hopefully from 17th May Residential Visits. All of these will need to be COVID compliant and meet the school's Risk Assessment as well as their own. The staff team will be discussing the possibility of enriching the curriculum through such visits/visitors over the next few weeks though we are not planning anything before the 17th May 'Road Map' update from the Government.

At this point our intention is to retain the Y2 Residential to Lea Green, a Derbyshire County Council run facility, and the Year 6 Residential to Dukes Barn which is a smaller private facility with restricted access for our pupils only. Both of these are due to take place in July.

School Crossing Patrol

We wrote to you before the Easter Break with regard to Josie, our Crossing Patrol, who has decided to retire at the end of May. After an assessment by the Crossing Patrol Service they are going to maintain a School the service after Josie leaves us. If anyone is interested in the post please apply through the link below with Pilsley on the list of schools looking for crossing patrols.

<https://jobs.derbyshire.gov.uk/education-non-teachingsupport-services-adult-social-care-and-health-school-crossing-patrol/23484.job>

School Dinners – Hot Meals

Meals for next week in class

Week B	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
w/c 26 th April	Dippers	Meatballs	Roast Pork with Stuffing & Gravy	Sandwich Choice Ham, Cheese, Tuna or Egg	Pizza

There will be a vegetarian option on hot meal days.

Parent Hub and the School App

We would encourage **ALL** parents please to download the Parent Hub App as per the instructions below so if there are teething problems we can sort them before we switch Apps. We will be switching fully to Parent Hub from the end of April, we will NOT be sending messages via the School Jotter App.

Nursery Places

For the first time in a very long time we have spaces within our Nursery moving forwards, especially from September 2021. We are not sure if this is due to the Lockdowns and parents not taking up or requesting places for their children as they thought school was closed. If you are looking for a place in our Nursery in

the future we would encourage you to get in touch ASAP via the school office on 01773 872378, or info@pilsley-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk.

We also have our webpage, <https://www.pilsleyprimary.co.uk/key-information/admissions-process-1>

The direct link to our Nursery Place request form here:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FLCPDzGwKUyzlgN_CNbErEnEN4TS6WJCuFg2Wggp9fIUQjE4VU5FTUtRQk9OMzc4T1RPNTU4RUg3RS4u

Changes to the Test and Trace Support Payment for Parents

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria.

Parents and carers should apply to their local authority to receive a payment. Applications for the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme are made via the local authority in which the parent or carer resides, not the local authority where the setting is situated, if these are different.

To be eligible applicants must meet all of the criteria that:

- they are the parent or guardian of a child or young person in the same household and need to take time off work to care for them while they self-isolate. This is limited to one parent or guardian per household for the child or young person's self-isolation period
- they are employed or self-employed
- they cannot work from home while undertaking caring responsibilities and will lose income as a result
- they meet all the other means-tested eligibility criteria for a Test and Trace Support Payment or locally determined criteria for a discretionary payment

That their child or young person:

- is aged 15 or under (or 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC)) and normally attends an education or childcare setting
- has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by their education or childcare setting because they have been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)

Nurseries, schools, colleges and further education providers are required to provide a letter to all parents or carers of the children advised to self-isolate, to support their application to the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme. **If you intend on applying when/if a school bubble closes please let the school know.**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme-claiming-financial-support/claiming-financial-support-under-the-test-and-trace-support-payment-scheme?utm_source=22%20March%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Take Care



Headteacher and the Pilsley Staff Team

Pilsley Primary School

would like you to join their school on Parent Hub.

Just tap "Join a School" in the app and enter the handle below...

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What is Parent Hub?



Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

Instructions for Parents



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2. Create yourself an account.
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Visit www.parenthub.co.uk to find out more