



Coronavirus

On Wednesday, new restrictions came into place to slow the spread of coronavirus across the country. According to the new method the government has for controlling the virus, we are now in Tier 2, which means the following restrictions apply to us.

- You may not meet in a group of more than six people, indoors or outdoors, unless you're in a larger household or a support bubble.
- Pubs, bars and restaurants in a Tier 1 area must close by 22:00.
- You are not allowed to meet socially with people you do not live with indoors - this includes private homes, as well as pubs or restaurants.
- People in support bubbles can go on meeting as before and informal childcare may also be provided.
- You can still meet friends and family outdoors, but only in a group of up to six people.

As a school this change does not affect us too much, but it will affect all of our pupils and families. We are encouraging all of our families to ensure that they stick to these rules to ensure that we can reduce the spread in our community. Over the past week in Marske and the surrounding area, the cases of coronavirus have increased from 63 per 100 000 to 143 per 100 000. This increase clearly shows that we all must stick to the rules to stay alert, control the virus and save lives.

PD Day and Half term

School will be closed for a PD Day on Friday the 23rd of October, with the following week being half term. This will mean that pupils will finish on Thursday the 22nd of October and will return to school on the 2nd of November.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We are beginning to gather a wonderful selection of dried and canned food for our harvest festival. If you have any spare cans, tins and packets of food that you could donate to school, we will ensure that these are donated to the Redcar Foodbank so that we can help others in need.

Halloween

Children can come into school on Thursday 22nd October dressed in their favourite costume for a £1.00 contribution, there will be fancy dress prizes.

Spooky sweet cones can be ordered in advance to ensure they are safe to be eaten on the day. They will cost £1.00 per cone, orders can be sent in to classes by Friday 16th October with your child. They can order as many as they would like but will only eat one in school.

A virtual disco will take place in each bubble within the classrooms on the afternoon.

There will be a pumpkin competition – we will ask for these to be brought in on the days leading up to the 22nd with prizes for the best ones.

Where possible there will be other in-class activities and events that are safe and socially distanced, children can bring up to £3.00 and take part in the events.

We hope by doing this activity this way – the PTFA raise the funds needed to fund the next batch of changes we have planned as well as the children celebrating Halloween and having a really fun end of term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is always our top priority in school. If anyone has any concern about a pupil or child, they can contact Mr Dooris, the safeguarding lead, or Mrs Rule, the deputy lead. If you are not happy with the way the issue has been dealt with, we also have a safeguarding governor who can be contacted via the school office.