



Mitchell House School Newsletter

From school to home, keeping you informed.
October 2020



School Photographer

The photographer will be in school on **Wednesday 14 October**. If you do not wish your child to have their photograph taken please let your class teacher know. Best smiles that day ☺

Ducklings

Welcome to all our new nursery pupils, they are all settling in well. We have enjoyed meeting them each week in our virtual assembly on a Friday.

Jeans for Genes

Thank you to everyone for your support for Jeans for Genes. We raised £114.50.



Morning transport

If you drop your son/daughter off at school in the mornings, we want to thank you for your patience. In order to protect each class bubble a member of the class team will collect your child from you. This may mean a short wait while they return from delivering another pupil to the classroom. We understand that this is different from how we operated before, but where at all possible we are keeping staff and pupils in their bubble.

Important Dates

- 14 October – school photographer (mop up day 15 October)
- 22 October – last day of school for pupils (full day as normal)
- 2 November – school resumes (normal day)

Halloween

We are not able to hold our usual Halloween event this year unfortunately. However, the pupils will have a Halloween themed day in school with their class.

Google Classroom

Many of you were linked into our Google Classroom during lockdown. We currently have each class set up with Google Classroom and if a class has to self-isolate or school is closed this is the method we will use for online learning.

If you need help to access Google Classroom please contact us for details.

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Sickness

It is important to be vigilant with illness coming into the winter months. If your child is unwell please phone the Nurse for advice before attending school as your child may be sent home again on arrival.

Please phone school on the first day your son/daughter is absent. It is important to let us know so we can complete our daily reporting to DE accurately.

Please do not send children to school with inhalers, antibiotics or other short term medications to self-administer. There is no problem at all with having these in school but the correct procedure is to send them with a note to the Nurse who will securely hold the medication and administer it safely, then return it to your child at the end of the day.

Please also make the nurse aware if you have administered any paracetamol to your child before school in order to avoid any delay in treatment for minor illness or ailments.

It is important that you do not send your child to school if they are unwell. We have many vulnerable pupils in school and want to safeguard everyone

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair unfortunately will not be able to happen this year. However Friends of Mitchell House are hoping to have a Christmas Fair in a different form this year!

We will keep you posted with details over the coming weeks however **we need your help to make our ballot bigger and better than ever!**

Do you know someone who could donate:

- Items for the ballot
- Gift vouchers



Shoe Box Appeal

We are running the annual shoe box appeal again this Christmas. We are doing it slightly differently this year, instead of sending in items we are asking that you **send a donation of £2 into school by Tuesday 13 October** – staff will then purchase the items for the shoe box.

In past years some families have completed their own full shoe box. Contact us if you would like a list of items to include. If you wish to complete a shoe box please send it into school before **19 October**. Thank you



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