



# Nettlefield News

8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

## **School Interviews**

Unfortunately, due to issues beyond our control with our new telephone system, **we will have to postpone our parent- teacher interviews until week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.** Days and times supplied will still hold unless teachers are informed otherwise. We will be in contact with more information next week.

## **School Snack**

Please remember to pay for next week's school snack on our Teachers 2 Parents app. Priced at £2.50 per pupil, per week.

## **Non-Uniform – Be Bright Be Seen!**

Please come to school in the brightest non uniform you can for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021. Priced at £1 per pupil, we want our pupils to be super bright on the dark mornings so drivers and road users can see them!

## **Half Term Break (Halloween Holidays)**

Please remember school will end for all pupils at 1.55pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021. This is for our half term break. School will reopen on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 for all pupils after our School Development Day.

## **Homework in November**

We have been very pleased with our responses for Homework on Seesaw Class over the past half term. However, we also note that items from home have a lower risk of carrying Covid-19 into school. For that reason, we are returning to English/Maths homework books travelling back and forward from school daily. We ask that families remain connected to Seesaw as some homework will still be completed on the platform.

Please ensure that all families continue to prioritise homework as this is an important way to solidify learning from school.

## **Squid Game**

Squid Game is a very popular show on Netflix that has some concerning themes for children. It is a fictional survival series which requires people to participate in what looks like games children might play.

The South Korean drama has captured the interest of audiences globally. Within days of its release on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021, the intense thriller has become one of the most watched shows of streaming giant Netflix and is now their biggest show ever.

My purpose in writing is because the access of Squid Game to our children brings them into direct contact with content that is entirely unsuitable for children of 11 years of age and under to be viewing. More information can be found at this link <https://bit.ly/3IHeKoF> but we would also ask families to be careful about what children are accessing on the home Netflix account or on YouTube.

## **Breakfast Club**

We are hoping that Breakfast Club will return in the coming months to provide a service for our children between 8am and 8.45am on a set number of days.

This will also be subject to Covid risk assessments but we are keen to hear from parents so we can run a programme that benefits our children. Please share your interest and ideas through this link.

<https://forms.office.com/r/QUXk32xqiB>

## **2022 Nursery/P1 Entry**

We have begun preparing for our 2021 Open Night, but our expression of interest in a place is online for families at [www.nettlefield.co.uk](http://www.nettlefield.co.uk)

## **Absences**

Please remember our absence reporting

<https://forms.office.com/r/XDnUDKkUvZ>

**Remember!** If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr McLean on [Help@Nettlefield.co.uk](mailto:Help@Nettlefield.co.uk)

# NETTLEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL



## **SUMMARY OF SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION POLICY FOR PARENTS**

We in Nettlefield Primary School have a primary responsibility for the care, welfare and safety of the pupils in our charge, and we will carry out this duty through our Pastoral Care Policy, which aims to provide a caring, supportive and safe environment in which all our pupils can learn and develop to their full potential.

We operate a Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy in the school as part of the Pastoral Care provision for our pupils. The purpose of the Policy is to protect our pupils by ensuring that everyone who works in the school – teachers, non-teaching staff and volunteers – has clear guidance on the action which is required where abuse or neglect of a child is suspected.

Our Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy includes, among other things, the following:

- a definition of child abuse
- the school's role in identifying abuse
- procedures for reporting suspected (or disclosed) child abuse - confidentiality issues

**A full copy of this Policy is available from the school office.**

It is the aim of the school staff to act in the best interests of each child and to encourage the fullest possible involvement of and consultation with parents; but it is also important that the children know that there is someone they can talk to. In school we encourage the children to speak to a member of staff if they are worried or concerned about something. It is also important for you to know the procedures to follow if you have a concern about your child's or another child's safety. The accompanying flowchart illustrates the action that you should take in the event of any such concern.

### **What will happen when any such concerns are reported?**

- The Designated Teachers for Child Protection, Mrs Fullerton (Vice Principal) and Mr McLean (Principal), will be informed. They may also need to involve other agencies, such as the Education Authority or Social Services, as appropriate.
- Either Mrs Fullerton or Mr McLean will report back to you as soon as possible on the progress and the outcome of your concern.

# How a Parent/Carer can Raise a Safeguarding Concern



There are designated members of staff in our school who are part of the safeguarding team.

Designated Teacher	Mrs Fullerton
Deputy Designated Teacher Primary School	Mr McLean
Deputy Designated Teacher Nursery Unit	Mrs Cardy

**Any parent may use the following procedure to raise a concern about the safety of their (or another) child at the school:**

