

NEWSLINE

July 2021
Issue 2



North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

Celebrated our 126th anniversary on 12th November. Visit www.northschoolcxxv.com

Covid, an Update (7th July 2021)

One class and their staff are isolating – two pupils in that class have tested positive for Covid.

1 member of staff has been told to isolate by T&T.

Another member of staff is having to look after her young child (who attends another school) and is having to isolate because of a positive case in her class.

A number of children are isolating because a parent has tested positive.

A number of children have been sent home this week because they are showing symptoms and they and their household are isolating until they get the results of a PCR test.

Mixing in society has increased and the infection rate is rising. This is triggering T&T alerts everywhere.

Parents are exasperated that school rules and society rules are so different – “Why can 60 000 people go to Wembley and parents can’t attend a school sports day?” is a perfectly reasonable question.

And I am sure you know that the bubble rules are likely to be lifted from the 19th – 2 days before the end of term.

Our priority is to get through the term without any more children and staff being sent home to isolate.

We do not want to sabotage the Year 6’s last attempt at enjoying their residential trip to Mersea.

Nor do we want to have the start of the holiday ruined for families and staff forced to isolate.

So, please be patient - **we will not be changing any rules for the last two days.**

What Will September Look Like?

The government guidelines relax certain rules with the warning that bubbles may have to be re-introduced if there are local outbreaks!

Some of the measures we have introduced have improved how the school operates so will continue. Others are up for review. The school council have asked for the views of pupils on four questions. Staff are being consulted as well. We are interested in the views of parents too. Have a look at the table below. Do email your opinions to the school admin account or speak to parent governors in the playground.

| Pupil Survey Y1-Y6 | strongly agree | agree | don't mind | disagree |
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| I prefer the staggered start and end to the school day | 48% | 14% | 19% | 19% |
| I prefer the one way system in and out of school | 25% | 7% | 18% | 50% |
| I prefer wearing PE kit to school on PE days | 88% | 4% | 6% | 2% |
| I prefer separate play zones for year groups | 29% | 3% | 11% | 57% |



Hilly Fields July 2nd 2021

What a great event. Hopefully families will be able to come along to watch next year.



Thank you so much for the sponsor money sent in already.

Please keep it coming.



Dates for your Diary

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| Wednesday 14th July | Reception visit to Highwoods Country Park |
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Week beginning Monday 12th July - Music Concerts

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| Monday 12th July | Annual Reports go home |
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| Friday 16th – Sunday 18th July | Year 6 Residential, Mersea |
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| Wednesday 21st July | Final day of school year |
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| Thurs 2nd September | First day of New School Year |
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| Mon 6th September | Y6 Residential to Osmington Bay |
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| Friday 22nd October | Final day of half term |
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| Mon 1st November | Return to school |
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| Fri 17th December | Final day of Autumn Term |
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