



NEWSLETTER NO.1

Autumn Term

Kinson Academy

Friday 11th
September
2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our new academic year. It really has been wonderful to have the whole school back and feel like a school again. As always, the children have been outstanding in how they have dealt with the new routines and procedures we have in place throughout the day.

A huge thank goes to you, all of our parents and carers, for your cooperation and being so supportive as we put the new procedures in to place. I am sure there will be times we need to make amendments as we continue to review and update our school risk assessment, but we will continue to keep you informed, all letters are posted on the school website for easy reference.

We look forward to welcoming our new Reception children in to school on Monday for their first official day. We have enjoyed meeting our new pupils this week for their stay and play sessions and have been so impressed with their confidence to come in to school already.

Understandably, we have had a few queries about illness/absence. A reminder that if your child displays symptoms of covid-19 then do not send them in to school. You can contact school via email or phone to report absence. Below are some guides which might help when considering the symptoms. A useful website is www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,
Michele Lawson
Principal

Cold or COVID?

Below are the symptoms of a cold and symptoms of COVID. The biggest difference is that children suffering with a cold will not usually have a temperature. If your child has a temperature, you must not send your child in to school. Please remember that if you are using paracetamol, this can mask an underlying temperature.

The table below highlights some of the common symptoms as a reference guide which you may find useful.

Symptom	Covid-19	Common cold
Fatigue	None to severe	Slight
Fever	Moderate to high	No
Chills, shaking	Possible	No
Aching muscles, joints	Unlikely	No
Runny, stuffy nose	Possible	Yes
Facial pain, headache	Yes	Yes
Sore throat	Possible	Yes
Cough	Severe, persistent	Yes
Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea	Likely in children	No
Loss of taste, smell	Often	Possible
Neck stiffness	No	No
Shortness of breath	Severe	No
Wheezing	Unusual	No

Water Bottles

Please ensure that you child has a named water bottle in school. The children will still be able to re-fill their bottle with water if they drink it all.

PE Kit

PE kit should be worn in to school on PE days, these were communicated in your starting school letter sent out this week. You can find more information about the PE kit on the school website <http://kinson-academy.co.uk/parents/school-uniform/>

Attendance Corner

Attendance Cup Winners		
07 Sept – 11 Sept	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
WINNERS →	1KN	5LH

Running Total = **95.17%** Attendance Target = **96%**

Dates for your Diary

Monday 14th September 2020	Year reception in school 9 – 9:10am – 11:50am
Tuesday 15th September 2020	Year reception in school 9 – 9:10am – 11:50am
Wednesday 16th September 2020	Year reception in school 9 – 9:10am – 1:30pm
Thursday 17th September 2020	Year reception in school 9 – 9:10am – 1:30pm
Friday 18th September 2020	Year reception in school 9 – 9:10am – 2.55 – 3:05pm
Thursday 22nd October	School Photos
Monday 2nd November 2020	Inset Day
Friday 4th December 2020	Inset Day



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