

# Newsletter – October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the half term break, please find below some useful information.

**COVID-19** - We would like to clarify that if any member of a child's household displays any of the symptoms of coronavirus (but has not yet had a test result) **or** has tested positive then everyone in the household **MUST** self-isolate.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

**Influenza Vaccination** - The Lincolnshire Immunisation Team administered the Influenza Vaccine to those children whose parents have completed the on-line consent form. If your child has missed the vaccination, the Immunisation Team will return to school on 25<sup>th</sup> November to complete the second round of vaccinations. If you would now like your child to receive the vaccine the on-line form can be found at the following location: [www.cowley.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.cowley.lincs.sch.uk), News, Influenza Vaccination, Flu letter. Click on the link in the flu letter and it will take you to the on-line registration form.

**Change of Collection Arrangements** - If you need to make changes to your child's collection arrangements please make sure that you inform the school office before 2:30 p.m. This will give staff enough time to get the message to your child and their class teacher – thank you.

**School Footwear** – A number of children are wearing slip-on 'ballet style' shoes to school. These shoes have very little foot protection or sole/grip and this has resulted in a number of children losing their footing when playing outside. Please make sure that your child wears shoes that have a firm sole/grip and that will protect their feet.

**Outdoor Classroom** – We are delighted with our new outdoor classroom! The children thoroughly enjoy using this area. Groups of children from Rowan Class have enjoyed several literacy sessions outside and one of our children even had their music lesson under the Gazebo! We are extremely grateful to parents for your kindness in raising money for school to buy something in memory of Mrs Fenton. We have bought a beautiful oak bench and put it in the new outside area; both children and staff will have use of the bench. Thank you all for your kindness.

**Finally, please be reminded that children break up from school on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.**

