



Newsletter

Newsletter March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a super start to the half term. Despite the weather and a number of wet playtimes, the children have worked incredibly hard in school and continue to shine each day.

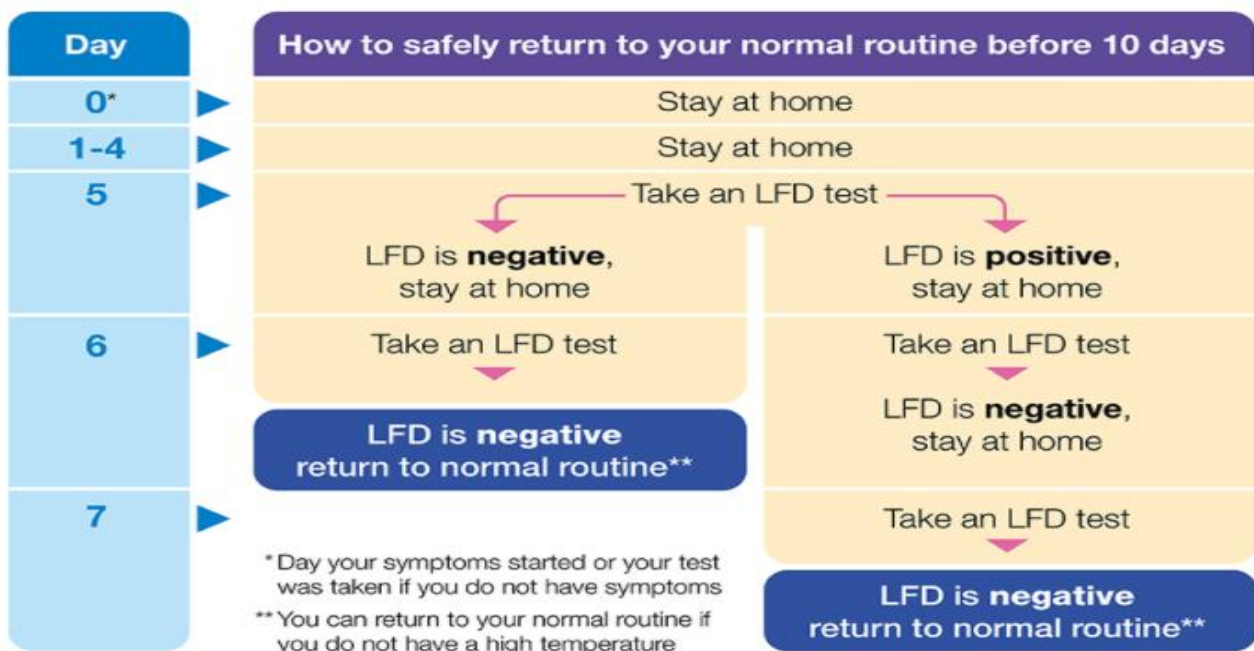
Mrs Sandwell, School Business Manager will retire end of April. Mrs Sandwell has been at our school for 17 years. We know she will stay in touch and wish her all the best in her retirement – enjoy the adventure and all the holidays!!

As we now enter a new stage of **coronavirus information** and less restrictions, the school will continue to work with the Local Authority and share any information with you over the coming weeks. The school will continue to limit the number of adults in the school building until further notice. This will mean that parents/carer meetings will take place over the phone in March.

I have included the guidance below in regard to managing positive cases in school.

Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started followed by another one the next day. If both these results are negative, they should return to their educational setting as long as they feel well enough to do so.

How to safely return to your normal routine before 10 days



Reading in our school is everywhere! This has been our main focus since returning last September and you have supported us in hearing your children read at home. This is evident in their reading diaries. Being able to read means our children have access to all other subjects. We are so pleased with the progress they are making and have purchased a new phonics scheme called Read, write, Inc that will be launching in September 2022.

Attendance and punctuality in school is being closely monitored by the Education Welfare Officer and the new system on school spider (the website) is proving popular. If your child is absent you must let school know on the morning of absence. The national figure for whole school attendance is 95%, Adswood Primary is 92%. Hopefully we will start to see an increase as the covid restrictions are removed and we can all get 'back to normal'.

Can I please remind parents/carers that school starts between 8.40am-9am. Your child will be marked late in the register if they are in after 9am. If this happens each day and your child arrives at 9.15am, they have missed 1 hour 15 minutes a week of learning. We are closely monitoring lateness in school and families will receive a letter and may be asked to come into school if this continues to be an issue. We have the children's best interests at heart and need them in on time each day please.

The astroturf has been a huge success for the delivery of PE sessions as well as playtime and dinnertime areas. The extra space that can be used all year round means less congestion for the children as they play. New playground markings will be painted during the Easter holidays.

The sunshine garden development will begin to take shape over the next few weeks as the weather starts to improve and we can start to plant with the children. Mrs Santana-Reedy has produced a wonderful plan of the area that we are looking forward to sharing the garden with you in the summer term. A place where children can learn, reflect and enjoy.

Dates coming up –

- Drumming day for all children on 3rd March. Drum teacher in school to deliver fun class drum lessons on the hall!
- 3rd March – WORLD BOOK DAY – come to school dressed as a character from any story!
- Monday 14th March – Science Week
- Parent/Carer Evening – Wednesday 16th March – details to be sent nearer the time
- Kingswood residential Year 6 – Monday 21st March-Wednesday 23rd March
- Wednesday 30th March – Reception Pirate Party!
- 1st April – school closes for Easter break. Return on Wednesday 20th April

If you have any queries or questions please do not hesitate to contact school.

M Smart and the Adswood Team

