

Tatham Fells CE Primary School

Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

January 2022



Dear Families,

Happy 2022! I hope you all enjoyed the festive period. Thank you so much for all the lovely gifts they were very much appreciated.

We hope we are now nearing the end of covid restrictions but unfortunately we still have to take care this half term. We have a new email set up for Covid correspondence and to send LFD tests. It is covid@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk

Covid guidance for this term:

- If your child has Covid symptoms, however mild, keep them home and inform school via the covid email; take a lateral flow test.
- If your child tests positive on a LFD test isolate for 10 days. However, if they have a negative lateral flow test on day 6 and 7 they may return to school.
- Keep school informed if your child tests positive on a LFD – along with the date of symptoms starting and/or a positive test result via the covid email.
- If your child is a 'close contact' at home with a positive Covid case they should stay at home for 5 days and have a lateral flow test on day 5 before returning OR they must test negative on a LFD test each day whilst attending school, for 7 days.
- Parents of children who are classed as medically 'vulnerable' or who live in a household with an immunosuppressed adult are encouraged to contact their GP to discuss/arrange vaccination for the child.

Despite the rules we will be enjoying the half term here in school and hope you do too.

Sickness/ diarrhoea

Please keep children off for 48 hours after these illnesses to prevent the spread.

Family photos

In the hall on our 'roots to grow' board, we would like to display a photograph of each family in our community. We would be grateful if you could email a photograph of your family to head@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk and we will print it out to display. The prints will be in black and white and will stay up after children have left and added to as new families join. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Fiona Ip

Headteacher

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - Due 15th January 2022

School admissions are open for children due to start primary school in September 2022 at:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

Applications should be made through your local council, even if you are applying for a school in another council area.

MULTI SKILLS AT CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Children in Year 2 have been invited to take part in a PE Multi Skills afternoon at Caton Primary School on Monday 17th January. Mrs Ip will be taking the children to the event. They should wear their PE kit to school and will need a booster seat & water bottle please.

NATIONAL CHILD MEASUREMENT PROGRAMME

The school nursing team will visit school on **Wednesday 19th January** to carry out height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6. Information from Virgincare about these checks was sent to parents of children in these year groups via School Spider. If you DO NOT want your child's height and weight to be checked you must opt out before the date of the measure. Details of how to do this are on the attached information letter

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FRIENDS of TFS 'New Year Party'

Due to the number of Covid cases in the area at this time the Friends of TFS have decided to postpone the 'New Year Party' until Saturday 23rd April - Save the Date!

YEAR 6 HEALTH NEEDS QUESTIONNAIRE

Children in Year 6 will take part in the online School Health Needs questionnaire on Friday 21st January. If you do not want your child to take part please contact the nursing team directly on 0300 247 0040, Option 2. Information about the questionnaire is attached to the newsletter. Thank you.

KEY STAGE 2 TRIP - Lancashire Museum

On Thursday 27th January Key Stage two will be visiting the Museum of Lancashire, in Preston, for a day of WW2 activities. The children will be travelling by coach and will need a packed lunch please.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

The Life Education team will be visiting school on Tuesday 1st February delivering personal, social and health wellbeing sessions to both our classes.

CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Our Celebration Worship will take place on Thursday 3rd February at 2:45pm, all families are most welcome to join us, we look forward to seeing you there!

KS2 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT ARKHOLME

Teams from year 3 / 4 and 5 / 6 have been invited to play in a Football tournament at Arkholme on Tuesday 8th February. Further information will be sent home with the children who are taking part.

Diary Dates

Monday 17th January - Year 2 Multi Skills @ Caton Primary School

Wednesday 19th January - National Child Measurement Programme (Reception & Year 6)

Friday 21st January - Year 6 Health Needs Questionnaire

Thursday 27th January - KS2 Trip to Preston Museum WW2 Day

Tuesday 1st February - Life Education Visit to School

Thursday 3rd February 2:45 - Celebration Worship

Tuesday 8th February - KS2 Football Tournament at Arkholme

Friday 1st April - KS2 trip to 'Gangsta Granny' @ Blackpool Grand Theatre

Diddi Dance

We are hosting free community diddi dance lessons at Tatham Fells School with our fantastic diddi dance teacher Nicola. These are free of charge to preschool aged children every Tuesday at 1pm. The lessons are suitable for children from approximately 18 months. There is no need to book, just come along to school for 1pm and enjoy with your little ones. We look forward to seeing you there.

Isle of Man Residential

We are pleased that the 2022 Isle of Man residential visit is set to go ahead! This trip is for children in years 5 and 6. We have added the option to pay the full balance of £250.00 or instalments of £50.00 to School Spider.