



Stoneferry Primary School

September Newsletter—Week 2



As we have reached the end of our second week back, can I take this opportunity to thank you all for the support you have given the school as we navigate our way through this incredibly challenging time. In putting in place the measures we have, we have been able to welcome the children back into school and this has been fantastic to see. Credit must go to the children who have accepted the new way of life at school and who are working hard to make up for lost time each day. Already around the school I have seen some excellent work being produced as we implement Phase 1 of our Recovery Curriculum.

Whilst many of the items in this week's newsletter may appear very serious, we should not forget that the reason for all of the measures that we are having to implement is to give the children the opportunity to get back into school so that they can learn. The staff at school are committed to ensuring that each day is as much fun as possible for the children and that they feel safe and secure.

We thank you for supporting us.

Mr Raw, Head of School

Face Masks

This week it has been announced that the Hull Learning Partnership has decided that staff within primary schools will be required to wear face masks in corridors and communal areas. This will not include classrooms and children will not be expected to wear them within the classroom.

The use of face masks as you will be aware is recommended where social distancing cannot always be guaranteed and it is for this reason that from Monday we will be asking parents dropping children off to also wear a mask whilst on the school site. This measure is to keep everyone as safe as possible and minimise the risk to everyone. In addition, we would ask that anyone who enters reception also wears a face mask when they do so.

Whilst this is a measure I did not want to introduce, I hope that you can understand the reasoning behind this, and that I am acting on advice and due to the space restrictions on site. With an ever changing national picture, I believe that it is the right thing to do in this moment and hope you understand why this decision has been made at this time.

Please make an Appointment

Please could we ask that as requested if you have something that you need to discuss with a class teacher that you make an appointment to do so by ringing the school office. Teachers will then arrange these appointments when there are less people on the school site. This is a requirement of the school's risk assessment as it ensures that the children can all enter the school as quickly as possible.

In addition, please could we ask that parents stick to the timings stipulated for drop off and collection. Being such a small school, we must look to minimise the number of people on the site at any one time, and to avoid people congregating wherever possible.

Home Learning - Marvellous Me

Unfortunately, already, we have had some children in the school who are having to self isolate at home. Clearly we don't want this to be the case for any child, but when it does happen, the school requires an effective approach to sending work that can be completed at home during any absence from school. From next week, we have decided that we will use the MarvellousMe platform to do this for children in Year 1 to 6. Many of you will already have the app on your phone or a device and through this we will be able to quickly send work that is being covered in class so that your child should it be needed can continue with the learning they would have been doing in school. If you require a new MarvellousMe login this can be organised by calling the school office. Just in case it is needed every child will bring home an exercise book next week which they will be able to complete the work in should it be needed.