



22nd October 2021

Dear Parents /Carers,

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of the first half term and it has been a really positive start to the new school year. The children have been busy, having fun and have all continued to work hard and produce work of a high standard.

Assemblies

Our assemblies this half term have been based on Coventry City of Culture, European day of languages, Black History Month and also revisiting our own school rules. The children have really enjoyed finding out about and discussing these themes and shown such maturity and collaboration in their responses. I have had the pleasure of listening to their favourite songs, hearing the different languages spoken within their classes and had an insight into which figures in history they find inspirational and why.

Visits

It has been a welcome return to being able to plan trips and visits and Year 1 had a fantastic time at Ash End House Children's Farm this week. They thoroughly enjoyed every minute despite some showers along the way! The children were so engaged taking part in the farm activities and the sense of awe and wonder they displayed was delightful. The children were well behaved and a credit to you all. We have certainly missed taking the children on educational visits and know Year 6 are really looking forward to visiting Holdenby House straight after half term.

COVID 19 information

Thank you for continuing to follow the current guidelines and procedures in school and these will remain in place for after half term. Please use the allocated gates specified and we ask that the Ansty Road gate remains only to be used by Year 5 and 6 children and parents. This helps to reduce the flow of people using the main gates at the front of the school. The walkways at the front of school will also remain a one way system during peak times of the day. Senior staff are on duty to help the flow of people moving around school, and if traffic builds up they may direct people to use all available exits, however, this is dependent on timings and weather conditions.



It is important we follow these guidelines as COVID is still present within our society and we need to continue to keep transmission rates as low as possible. Your support with this is much appreciated.

During the half term holiday, should your child develop symptoms (particularly over this weekend) and take a PCR test we ask that you please report your results to the school using our COVID 19 email address covid@wykencroft.coventry.sch.uk. NHS Test and Trace will carry out any necessary contact tracing but we will follow up any cases as a school with a letter to close contacts. This email inbox is monitored twice a day.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): guidance and support - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-and-support)

You must book a PCR test if you have any of the following symptoms of COVID 19:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- you've lost your sense of smell or taste or it's changed

Use this link to book your test: [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/get-a-free-PCR-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus)

If you wish to access Lateral Flow Testing, this can be done by visiting an LFT testing centre or ordering tests online using the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you all when we return on Tuesday 2nd November as Monday 1st November is a teacher day and school will be closed to all pupils.

Kind regards,

Mrs Franklin

