



# Crosby Ravensworth C.E. (A) Primary School

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## Friday Bulletin 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents

### Important: please read

I'm sure many of you will have heard by now the unfortunate news that Asby Endowed School was this week asked to close for fourteen days due to a positive COVID 19 test. Now is as good a time as any to remind everyone of how similarly vulnerable our own school is to a period of closure.

I can't stress enough the importance of continued education for our children this year. The teachers have been making positive strides to fill in the learning gaps created by the last period of lockdown and the last thing anyone needs is another period of instability.

Everyone, the staff, the parents, the children and our whole community, has a responsibility to observe the current lockdown closely and take measures to restrict the spread of the disease. We continue to urge parents to wear face coverings when approaching school, to ensure households do not mix and to continue to wash hands and remain a safe distance from others.

In the event that a case of COVID-19 were confirmed among any one of our pupils or staff, the likelihood is that we would be forced to close and isolate for fourteen days.

Steps have already been taken to prepare for such a situation. Microsoft Teams has already been set-up ready for daily home-learning sessions; all children will be issued with individual log-ins in due course. Staff will be trained in the use of this platform early next week; we look forward to demonstrating the system to the children in school so they are prepared for all eventualities. The new system will allow us to both set and receive work in folders each day as well as to host face-to-face meetings each day. Families who don't have access to a device will be able to request a loan from school.

During any period of home learning, whether because of school closure or because a child has been asked to isolate but is well enough to work from home, **'attendance' is mandatory and something schools are required to report on each day to the department for education.** Should the school close, a live on-line register will be taken each morning at 9.30am for all children at which the tasks of the day will be shared by the teacher. We've followed research advice in setting up to three hours of learning each week-day, although more work is available via the government's [Oak Academy](#) online learning platform should you choose to access it.

As much as we hope that none of these arrangements will be necessary, I'm sure you'll appreciate how important it is that we're prepared to meet the challenge of home learning if it is forced upon us. The teachers will continue to work hard to ensure that the children's education does not stop.

### School Photos - Reminder

Please could all order forms for the Tempest School Photos be returned to the school office by Monday 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you



Duncan Priestley  
Headteacher

### Summary of dates for your diary:

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Asby Virtual Quiz

### After school club - Week beginning: 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020

£4 a session or 5 for £16 (this can be split across siblings)  
Please tick which sessions you would like your child to attend:

Monday – Dodgeball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Thursday – Ukulele	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tuesday – Christmas Craft	<input type="checkbox"/>	Friday - Gymnastics	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wednesday – Christmas Film Club	<input type="checkbox"/>		

### Breakfast Club – 8am or 8.30am (£3 from 8am and 50p from 8.30am)

Monday	8.00am	8.30am	Thursday	8.00am	8.30am
Tuesday	8.00am	8.30am	Friday	8.00am	8.30am
Wednesday	8.00am	8.30am	(Please circle requested time)		

Child's Name .....

I enclose £..... To pay for .....sessions



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