

15th September 2020

We are committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Child Protection Officer: Amelia Harding
Deputy Child Protection Officers: Tamsin Corline, Kate Davenport, Sam Hill, Zoe Smith
Named Governor for Child Protection: Rachel Nolan



Welcome back!

Welcome back everyone! It is so lovely to see all the children back at school and they look very smart in their new school uniforms.

A special warm welcome to our new families. The Reception children have been amazing at leaving their mums and dads on the playground and have settled in well to their new class. We look forward to beginning our partnership with you all as your child embarks on their learning journey with us.



If your child is ill

Sometimes it can be difficult to know whether to send your child into school and this has got even harder with Coronavirus. Many people have exercised caution this week and we are grateful to those parents for prioritising the safety of the children and staff. Government guidance says that children should stay at home if they have a high temperature, new continuous cough or loss or change to their sense of taste and smell.

Please call Mrs Gale if you are unsure and would like some further guidance.



Library Books

Many of the reading and library books that we sent home at the beginning of the lockdown have not been returned and this has left us short of books to give out to the children this year.

Please have a good look around at home and ensure that all our books are returned to us.

So that we can replace missing books you will be asked to pay for any of our books that have not been returned.



House Teams

We have decided to rename our House teams this year so that they fit better with our curriculum and are more accessible to the children.

They have been renamed after people who have or continue to champion equality in our society as follows:

Nye Bevan - Red
Dame Tanni Grey Thompson - Yellow
Emmeline Pankhurst - Green
Paul Stephenson - Blue



School Meals

Payment and ordering of meals is via the Sims Pay system (this is the system that parents have previously used to pay for trips). The cost of a meal is £2.30 per meal. One account links to all your children attending the school. Parents should order their child's lunches and make payment by Saturday for the forthcoming week.

The kitchen manager cooks to order and so late requests for meals cannot always be the child's first choice of meal. If you know your child will be late to school and you have forgotten to pre-order a lunch please contact the school by 9.30a.m. or provide a packed lunch.





Flu Vaccinations

Children in Reception to Year 6 from September 2020 are eligible for a Free Nasal Childhood Flu Vaccination in the Autumn term. These will be administered adhering to all up to date Infection Control, PPE and social distancing guidance at the time.

We are expecting demand to be high and therefore we urge you to follow the link to consent to your child's vaccination now. Even if you do not want your child to receive this vaccination, please complete the consent form stating "no" consent. Further information can be found at https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team at the Single Point of Access (SPA).

Tel: 0300 247 0082 Email: vcl.immunisations@nhs.net



Incredible Years

Incredible Years is a FREE parenting programme which is being offered to local families by South West Family Values.

The programme provides strategies which build positive relationships and guides parents to set clear and consistent boundaries before working through appropriate behaviour management strategies.

The course is 14 weeks long and is a great opportunity for parents/carers who are looking to make positive changes to their parenting styles. The programme can help you if you are struggling with boundaries, finding your child challenging or feeling that you can't control your child's behaviour.

The group uses a combination of skills practice, watching recorded clips, home activity, discussions and trouble shooting to support a variety of learning styles. The next group will commence in October 2020 and, due to the COVID crisis, will be run remotely for the first time – therefore parents/carers will need access to suitable IT to enable them to attend the group via Zoom or Teams.

If you would like more information please speak to Mrs Corline or leave a message with the school office.



Respect Awards



Class R Harper Class 1 Adam Class 2 Harry Class 3 Abigail Class 4 Emelia Class 5 Poppy Class 6 Orley



Achievement Awards



Class R Christopher Class 1 Lucas Class 2 Seren Class 3 Lily Class 4 Finlay Class 5 Caoimhe Class 6 Julia





Endeavour Awards

Class R Sonny Class 1 Ayla-Rose Class 2 William Class 3 Olivia Class 4 Olivier Class 5 Scarlett Class 6 Lily



Attendance Reminders

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence and every other day thereafter. If you don't do this we will ring you as we are required to check on the welfare of our pupils.

Evidence of all medical appointments must be provided.

Please remember to sign your child in at the office if they are brought to school after 9.00a.m.



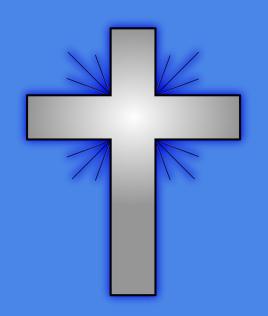
Coronavirus helpline

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm





Lord

Help us to be kind and gentle with everyone we meet.

Help us to be patient with little ones and encourage all their efforts.

Amen



Contact us:

Our Lady of the Angels, Queensway, Torquay TQ2 6DB

Tel: 01803 613095

Email: admin@olota.uk

Website: ourladyoftheangels.eschools.co.uk

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