

ASH GREEN WEEKLY NEWS



14 MAY 2021



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Another fantastic week at Ash Green where all the children have worked hard for Testing Week. Please keep sticking to the guidelines in our community and hopefully, next week the next set of restrictions will be lifted. Even though Covid rates in Calderdale have gone down in January, they have risen in the month of May, please let's all keep working together to drive the rates down even further. Remember that from Monday 17th May you can visit another household but do keep checking guidance and do keep remembering all that we have learnt together in this last year about distancing and additional hygiene measures- we must remain vigilant!

TAKE A PEEK, ONCE A WEEK

HEAD LICE AND NITS – please check your child's hair regularly! Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. Treat head lice as soon as you spot them for everyone in the house. There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice.

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. Fine-toothed combs (detection comb) can be purchased online or from pharmacies to remove them.

Wash hair with ordinary shampoo and apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do) Comb the whole head of hair, from the roots to the ends. Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

**DON'T LET HEAD LICE BECOME
PERMANENT GUESTS IN YOUR HOME!**



 TAPESTRY

 Seesaw

Our staff are continually planning our 'blended learning' approach for children – getting the most out of Tapestry and Seesaw in school time.

Parents and carers will be sent examples of their children's work, celebration activities and performances. We have been so impressed with your engagement with Seesaw and Tapestry, please do keep logging on!

If you have any problems accessing either Seesaw or Tapestry then please let us know.



Active Calderdale are launching their annual Your Views Matter Survey.

This is an opportunity to express how you feel about being active in your local area so that Active Calderdale can gain insight into how best to help.

This survey will help to gain local awareness into the physical and mental wellbeing of adults living in Calderdale and help us to create more impactful changes.

Please complete the survey at <https://bit.ly/3xgUox>.

Your views matter.

For further information please contact:
activecalderdale@calderdale.gov.uk

YEAR 6

Children in 6T (Upper Site) had a fantastic first session at Park Lane this morning.

They will continue these sessions for the next two weeks on Thursday 20th May and Friday 28th May.

Please ensure that children are at school for 8.40am in their P.E kit, ready for each session.

SCHOOL AMBASSADORS

Yesterday some of our children who have been working with Bee Quirkey enjoyed team building activities at Rokt in Brighouse. Their behaviour was brilliant and they demonstrated the teamwork, resilience and perseverance skills they have been working on. Thanks to our wonderful governors and friends of the school, Jo Dye and Rev Robb Sutherland for their time and care supporting our children.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

We have been asked by the Director of Public Health and the Director of Children's Services to take part in a local **Children and Young People's Health Needs Assessment**

We will be asking all children in Year 5 and Year 6 to complete an online survey, asking a range of questions about their health and wellbeing. The survey has been developed with input from local head teachers and health professionals, so is suitable for this age group. The survey will take about 20 to 30 minutes and will be done in school. The survey is confidential, and children aren't asked for their name or any other personal data.

The aim of the Health Needs Assessment is to give an overview of the health and wellbeing of children and young people in Calderdale, which will help services to plan and deliver support in a way that will best meet local needs.

If you have any questions, would like to see a copy of the survey, or do not want your child to take part, please contact the school.



**WE BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM ON FRIDAY 28 MAY
AND RETURN ON TUESDAY 8 JUNE.**

Keeping Families Safe in Calderdale

COVID-19 related absence from school or childcare: a guide for parents and carers

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with COVID-19 have at least 1 of these symptoms.

If your child has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19

- Keep your child at home.
- Arrange a test online (search NHS COVID-19 testing) or by calling 119 as soon as possible.
- Anyone your child lives with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home. When you get your test result you will be advised what to do

If you or your child are worried about COVID-19, speak to your health visitor or school nurse

Health Visiting Team: 030 0304 5076

School Nursing Team: 030 3330 9974

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school/setting when...
...my child has one or more of the main COVID-19 symptoms	...the test comes back negative. If the test comes back negative, see advice below. If you are unable to get a test for your child within 5 days of them developing symptoms, you must follow the advice below → Arrange a test for anyone in the household with symptoms → Inform school/setting about test result	→ Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household including siblings → Arrange a test for anyone in the household with symptoms → Inform school/setting about test result
...my child has a runny nose, sore throat, headache, sickness or diarrhoea but doesn't have	→ Contact school or setting to inform us if your child won't be attending → Ring on each day of illness	... they feel well enough to do so, and after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea
...my child tests positive for COVID-19	→ Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household including siblings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For anyone with symptoms: this is for at least 10 days from when they started with symptoms - For anyone who doesn't develop symptoms: this is for at least 14 days from when the first person started 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, and the child feels well and does not have a temperature. The child can return even if they still have a cough or loss/change to their sense of taste or smell as these symptoms can last for several weeks Remember, others in your household may still be self-isolating
... I am unable to get a test for my child within 5 days of them developing symptoms of COVID-19	→ Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household including siblings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For anyone with symptoms: this is for at least 10 days from when they started with symptoms - For anyone who doesn't develop symptoms: this is at least 10 days from when the first person started with symptoms 	...10 days have passed since the symptoms began, and the child feels well and does not have a temperature. The child can return even if they still have a cough or loss/change to their sense of taste or smell as these symptoms can last for several weeks. Remember, others in your household may still be self-isolating. If the child is a contact of a confirmed case, develops symptoms, and cannot get a test, they must continue to self-isolate for the full 10 days
...my child tests negative for COVID-19	→ Contact school/setting to inform us → Discuss with us when your child can come back	...they feel well enough to do so, unless: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Anyone else in the household has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days → Anyone else in the household has symptoms and hasn't received a negative test result → They are a contact of a confirmed case → They have returned from abroad are required to quarantine (as per current Government advice)
...someone in my household (other than my child) has COVID-19 symptoms	→ Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household → Arrange a test for anyone in the household with symptoms → Inform school/setting about test result	... the test comes back negative or ten days have passed since the person started with symptoms

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school/setting when...
...someone in my household (other than my child) tests positive for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For anyone with symptoms: this is for at least 10 days from when they started with symptoms. For anyone who doesn't develop symptoms: this is at least 10 days from when the first person started with symptoms 	<p>... 10 days have passed since the person developed symptoms</p> <p>If your child develops symptoms during this time, you should arrange a test. If they test positive or are not tested they must stay at home for 10 days from when they started with symptoms</p>
... I am unable to get a test for someone in my household (other than my child) within 5 days of them developing symptoms COVID-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → Self-isolate the whole household including siblings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For anyone with symptoms: this is for at least 10 days from when they started with symptoms - For anyone who doesn't develop symptoms: this is at least 10 days from when the first person started with symptoms 	<p>... 10 days have passed since the person developed symptoms</p> <p>If your child develops symptoms during this time, you should arrange a test. If they test positive or are not tested they must stay at home for 10 days from when they started with symptoms</p>
...Someone in my household had a test for COVID-19 but the result was inconclusive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Continue to self-isolate the whole household → Arrange a retest if possible within 5 days from the person starting with symptoms. → If you are unable to arrange a retest, follow advise above for "I am unable to get a test" 	<p>... 10 days have passed since the person developed symptoms, if unable to get a retest.</p> <p>if able to get a retest, see advise boxes on what to do if someone tests positive or negative for COVID-19.</p>
... my child has been identified as a contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Do not come to school/setting → Contact school/setting to inform us → If the contact was within school/setting, you will receive a notification letter from us → Do not arrange a test unless your child develops symptoms → Siblings can continue to attend 	<p>... 10 days have passed since the person developed symptoms (or since the date of their test if they did not have symptoms).</p> <p>If your child develops symptoms during this time, you should arrange a test. If they test positive or are not tested they must stay at home for 10 days from when they started with symptoms</p>
... someone else in my household has been identified as a contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → The household member must self-isolate for 10 days → The person should not arrange a test unless they develop symptoms → Child can continue to attend school → Siblings can continue to attend 	<p>... child can continue to attend</p>
... I've heard that someone at school has tested positive for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → If your child is identified as a contact, you will be notified and advised what happens next 	<p>... child can continue to attend</p>
... my child has travelled abroad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → If your child is required to quarantine (as per current Government advice), contact school/setting to inform us → If your child is not required to quarantine, they can return to school/setting → You should not arrange a test for COVID-19 unless your child develops symptoms 	<p>... your child has completed quarantine, if required</p>
... I have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<p>Do not come to school/setting</p> <p>Contact school/setting to inform us</p>	<p>...you are informed that restrictions are lifted, and shielding is paused again</p>
... someone in my household has symptoms of COVID-19 but a lateral flow test (LFT) they use for work is negative	<p>→ You must arrange PCR testing in the usual way. LFT should not be used to rule out COVID-19 in someone who has symptoms or who has been in contact with a positive case</p>	<p>... the PCR test comes back negative or 10 days have passed since the person started with symptoms</p>