

Cantrell Primary School Newsletter 11th March 2022

ATTENDANCE. Maintaining **94.7%** for the academic year so far, thank you for your efforts, keep it up and let's see this continue to rise to above the Ofsted expected standard of 95%. **316** children remain **In It To Win It** which started at the beginning of this half term. Children at school every day from 22nd February to 1st April will receive a prize just in time for Easter!

CLASS DOJO SCHOOL ABSENCE. Again, can we remind parents not to use Class Dojo to report a child's absence. A telephone call should be made to the school office on 0115 9155770, text Schoolcomms on 0115 8240395, or email admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk where the admin team will record absence details.

FOREST SCHOOL FOR NURSERY. This takes place on Tuesdays for children in main nursery, up to Easter. Warm waterproof outdoor kit is required, please see the letter sent out previously for more information. Outdoor clothing is available to order here: <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/outerwear/outerwear-227>.

AREA BAND CONCERT. This will take place on **Tuesday 15th March** at Ellis Guilford school for Area Band members. Return to school for 5:30pm. Please see the separate letter sent out for more details.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE. It hasn't left us yet. We have seen a sharp rise in positive cases this week, with children and staff affected. Latest guidance states although there is no longer the **legal** requirement to self-isolate, a child with any of the main Covid-19 symptoms should order a PCR test and **will not be allowed to attend school** while awaiting the result or if the subsequent result is positive. Children with symptoms who do not obtain a PCR test must remain away from school. Parents will be asked to collect their child if they develop symptoms whilst at school. In these cases, children must stay away from school for 5 full days and may return after if they obtain 2 negative lateral flow test results on consecutive days, or after a total of 10 full days after the symptoms started if they feel well. The three main symptoms remain:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell

Children should continue to attend school if they have not tested positive for COVID-19 and are well enough to do so.



RED NOSE DAY IS FRIDAY 18th MARCH. All children can come to school wearing something **RED** and donate £1 to this worthwhile charity. We are selling red noses in school, £1.50 each – 1st come 1st served!

SCHOOL MEALS PRICE INCREASE. From **Tuesday 19th April** the price of a school meal will increase to **£2.30** per day/**£11.50** per week. Nottingham City Council is committed to offering a nutritionally balanced two-course meal which meets the government food standards and gives value for money. Could we remind parents that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive a free school meal, and some children in Years 3 - 6 may be eligible if their parents receive certain benefits. Please enquire at main reception for more details.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION: Facebook Serious concerns have been raised about comments made on the so-called alternative Cantrell Facebook page. This page is not run by or endorsed by the school in any way. Please be aware that any comments personal to the school, staff and pupils can and will be shared with the police if they are deemed inflammatory, derogatory or offensive.

***** COMMUNITY NEWS *****

Give us your views on proposed changes to Nottingham City Libraries. The public [consultation on proposed changes to our library service](#), including the closure of three libraries with low use, high costs and nearby alternatives is currently open. We regret proposing any closures as we know how important libraries are to our communities. No decisions on any of the proposals being discussed have been made or will be made until we consider your views. We would appreciate you responding to our survey to help inform the City Council about shaping its future library service. You can find out more and take part in the consultation here: www.nottinghamcitylibraries.co.uk/the-next-chapter.

Activities at Bulwell St Mary's Church. 10am Whiz Kids (Sunday School) fun, friendly arts, crafts, stories, videos, songs and more! For children aged 5-12. If your child will need a drink, we ask that a drink in a drinks bottle is provided. Whiz Kids runs on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays. On the other Sundays we are invited to worship together at our Family Mass.