

Cantrell Primary School Newsletter 25th March 2022



ATTENDANCE. We're still on track at **94.8%** for the academic year so far. **243** 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! **SPRING FORWARD!** The clocks go forward 1 hour on Sunday, don't forget!

RED NOSE DAY. This year we've raised **£680**. Thank you so much for all your support.

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.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE. It hasn't left us yet. We still have positive cases in children and staff. 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.

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.

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

Ay-Up! Brand new city centre event – Fri 25 to Sun 27 March Old Market Square. Sneinton Market Avenues. Nottingham City Council, in collaboration Nottingham Business Improvement District (BID), the organisation behind It's in Nottingham; is proud to present the first Ay-Up Market which celebrates Nottingham's independent traders and businesses. The three-day event will run in Old Market Square Friday to Sunday and in Sneinton Market Avenues on Saturday. Ay-Up Market gives Nottingham-based independent retailers and creatives, both bricks and mortar and online, a unique trading platform which will highlight the city's fantastic independents. Alongside the market stalls, the event will also include a full programme of live music and street entertainers. A full programme of performances and more details of traders will be issued in the forthcoming weeks.

Help is available for those struggling with energy bills. The Government-funded Local Authority Delivery scheme is open for applications, and homeowners who have a household income of less than £30,000 per year and live in a home that's hard to keep warm can apply. To find out more about making energy efficiency improvements to your home, contact the team on 0115 6667 298 or email customersupport@nottinghamcity.gov.uk. You can also get assistance with paying your energy bills through a variety of means. To find the support that's on offer, [visit the Ask Lion page here](#). Advice is also available from local charity partners [Nottingham Energy Partnership](#), [Nottingham & Nottinghamshire Age UK](#), and [Energy Saving Trust](#), so visit their websites to see how they can help you.

Easter Holidays - Free Fun and Food. This Easter school holiday, pupils entitled to Free School Meals can receive: 1. Weekly £15 supermarket e-vouchers. *These will be sent via email by next Thursday 31st March.* 2. Holiday Activity Clubs in venues across Nottingham. Free food provided. Book your place: www.asklion.co.uk/funandfood. Some places are available for pupils who aren't eligible for Free School Meals.

Discover gifts & activities across Nottinghamshire for this Mother's Day. Shop locally to spoil your mum with a locally grown planter or plant gift from the nursery at Woodthorpe Park Plant Shop, or enjoy a family day out this Mother's Day at Wollaton Hall & Deer Park or Newstead Abbey & Gardens. Newstead Abbey has a Journeys from Japan exhibition in the Historic House and garden tour by local and garden historian, Philip Jones, on Sunday 27th March 2022 at 1pm and 2:30pm, while Wollaton Hall's Titus: T. rex is King, showcases an extraordinary exhibition of the first real Tyrannosaurus rex to be displayed in England for over a century – each of these makes a great family day out for the whole family.