



# CURDWORTH PRIMARY NEWS 2020 - 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the staff, parents/carers and pupils back to Curdworth Primary School, following an incredibly strange few months. I would like to thank you all for your cooperation with our new systems in school, it has made a very challenging time much easier to manage and enabled our first week back at school to run as smoothly as possible! I would also like to say how proud I am of each and every child in school for the way they have settled back into school life.

We look forward to working alongside you and seeing your children flourish over the year ahead.

Mrs Lisa Dodd - Headteacher

## PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY...

### CURRENT COVID-19 GUIDANCE

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of a new continuous cough or a high temperature or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). **If your child or a member of your household has any of these symptoms or if you are contacted by NHS Track and Trace your child MUST NOT come to school and all members of the household should go for a coronavirus test.**

Test results usually come back within 24 hours. A negative result means the test did not find coronavirus. You do not need to self-isolate if your test is negative, as long as: everyone you live with who has symptoms tests negative, everyone in your support bubble who has symptoms tests negative and you were not told to self-isolate for 14 days by NHS Test and Trace. If your child still feels unwell, they should stay at home until they are feeling better. If your child has diarrhoea or if they are being sick, they must stay at home until 48 hours after they've stopped. A positive result means you had coronavirus when the test was done. If your test is positive, you must self-isolate immediately. If you had a test because you had symptoms, keep self-isolating for at least 10 days from when your symptoms started. If you had a test but have not had symptoms, self-isolate for 10 days from when you had the test.

If you are unsure about whether your child should come to school, please call our school office on 01675 470379 before you bring your child into school.

### PE DAYS

Please find below a list of PE days for each class. As a reminder, children should come into school on their PE days dressed in their PE kit. For health and safety reasons, children will not be able to participate in PE if they are not wearing appropriate kit. PE kit includes: a school PE t-shirt in their family group colour, black or navy shorts/jogger/leggings, a pair of pumps/trainers, a school jumper or warm black/navy hoodie and a coat.

**HEDGEHOGS CLASS - TUESDAY**

**OWLS CLASS - MONDAY**

**FOXES CLASS - THURSDAY**

**SQUIRRELS CLASS - WEDNESDAY**

### SCHOOL TIMINGS

#### PUNCTUALITY

FAMILY GROUPS	START TIME	FINISH TIME
JAGUAR & VAUXHALL	8.45 am	3.00 pm
FORD & ROVER	9.00 am	3.15 pm

Although we are currently operating a staggered start and end to the day, please can we remind parents/carers that it is important that children are on time entering and leaving school.

Children who are due to arrive at school at 8.45am will be marked as late in our registers if they arrive after 8.50am. Children who are due to arrive at school at 9.00am will be marked as late in our registers if they arrive after 9.05am.

I would also like to remind parents/carers to ensure they arrive at their correct collection time at the end of the day so that children do not miss out on any learning time.

### SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our new school website is live and we are continually updating the content. The new address is:

<https://curdworth.warwickshire.sch.uk>  
All upcoming dates for school will be added to the calendar on the website which can be found by clicking on the 'events' tab.

## **IS YOUR CHILD ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?**

All pupils in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in primary schools are entitled to 'universal' free school meals. This is **not** the same as 'Free School Meals' (FSM). Pupils that are eligible for free school meals receive additional funding called 'Pupil Premium.' In our school, if your child is entitled to Free School meals, you may also get financial support with other aspects of school life and not just the free school meal.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically receive the universal free school meals which you don't have to apply for. However, if you think you are eligible for 'Free School Meals' then it is important that you apply so that you don't miss out on the Pupil Premium funding for your child. If you get any of the above benefits, please register your child so the school can benefit from the pupil premium.

**For your child to qualify for free school meals you must get one of the following benefits:**

- Universal Credit and your household income after tax is less than £7,400 per year (not including any benefits you get)
- Child Tax Credit, as long as you are not getting Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of less than £16,190
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- The guarantee part of Pension Credit
- Asylum seeker support

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q) Who can register for pupil premium?**

A) If you receive one of the above benefits, you can register your eligibility with the council so that the school can receive free school meals and also benefit from additional funding, called pupil premium. The pupil premium currently gives extra funding of £1320 per eligible pupil to the school your child attends.

**Q) I have just lost my job/income and have claimed Universal Credit - will I be able to claim free school meals?**

A) Most councils work out whether you can get free school meals based on your earnings in your previous assessment period for Universal Credit. This can mean that councils are not able to process your claim for free school meals until after you have received your first Universal Credit payment.

**Q) How do I apply for free school meals?**

A) Please go to <https://curdworth.warwickshire.sch.uk/about/pupil-premium/> and click the 'apply for free school meals' button to make an application. It only takes a few moments to complete a simple on line form which will tell you whether your child/children is/are eligible for free school meals. Please contact Mrs Teasdale in our school office if you need help with your application.

**Q) What happens to the extra funding that schools receive for children who are entitled to free school meals (FSM)?**

A) In our school if your child is entitled to FSM then we receive additional funding which we use in a variety of ways, including:-

Providing additional academic support for FSM children who need to boost progress or be challenged further

Providing financial support towards additional costs of education such as trips

Providing financial support towards uniform and equipment

Additional Educational needs resources