



# Newsletter Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020



Dear Parents & Carers,

Even though the weather is turning colder and wetter, we are still taking the children outside in all weathers. It is really important that they have a warm, waterproof coat and wellies in school every day. Please make sure all the children's belongings have their name in them so that they can easily be returned should they get mislaid.

### Face masks

All YCAT schools are doing their utmost to keep everyone in their schools safe at this challenging time. Each school has clearly identified the measures that need to be in place to create a safe environment in school through the risk assessment process and all staff are working very hard to ensure that our schools are as safe as can be. As cases of Covid 19 are rising across the country, YCAT have recommended that parents and other visitors inside the school building will be required to wear a facemask for the duration of their stay inside the school premises. The school will ensure it has a supply of disposable facemasks on site to issue to visitors as necessary. We would still ask that you only enter the school via the main entrance if you have made an appointment. As long as social distancing measures are being adhered to whilst outside on the school premises, it is not necessary to wear masks. Thank you for your co-operation during these uncertain times.

### Hello Yellow – World Mental Health Day



Thank you to everyone who came dressed in yellow or non-uniform on Friday October 9<sup>th</sup> for Hello Yellow Day. With your help we managed to raise an amazing £164 for Young Minds. Thank you for all your support.

### Photographs

You should have received your school photographs today. Please make sure that you return any orders by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at the latest.

### Half term holiday

The school understands that some families may wish to take a holiday abroad during the half term break. Please note that if you travel to a country or territory that is not on the travel corridors list (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>) your child will not be allowed back into school during the period of self-isolation and must quarantine at home for 14 days.

### Polite reminder

Please could all parents ensure that children are dropped off and picked up at the correct times for their bubbles to support our staggered start and finish times so that social distancing can be maintained. If people arrive too early or late it could cause larger groups than planned which makes socially distancing more difficult. Thank you for your continued support with this.

	Entrance/Exit	Start time	Finish time
Nursery	Nursery entrance	current arrangements	
Reception	Top gate	9.10am	3.20pm
Year 1	Bottom gate	8.55am	3.25pm
Year 2	Bottom gate	8.45am	3.15pm
Year 3	Top gate	9.00am	3.30pm
Year 4	Top gate	9.00am	3.30pm
Year 5	Top gate	8.45am	3.15pm
Year 6	Top gate	8.45am	3.15pm

**Parents bringing siblings drop off at the earlier time and collect at the earlier time.**

### Dates for the Diary:

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – break up for half term
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – back to school
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Flu Immunisations
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm– Christmas holidays
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – Training Day, School closed to children
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January – School reopens for children