

# THIS WEEK'S NEWS

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## Lateral Flow Tests for Households with Children?

You may have seen in the news that households with school age children are now able to access Lateral Flow Tests – up to two per week per household member.

**Primary children are not being tested but adults living with them and members of a support bubble or childcare bubble can.**

Regular testing of people without symptoms is important to help stop the virus spreading and protect your loved ones.

### How to get a rapid lateral flow test

There are different ways to get a test for members of your child's household, childcare and support bubbles who do not have symptoms of coronavirus.

### Members of households, childcare or support bubbles of school staff and pupils

From 1 March 2021, if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test:

1. through your employer if they offer testing to employees
2. at a local test site
3. by collecting a home test kit from a test site
4. by ordering a home test kit



## Dear Parents & Carers

Two weeks back with all the children; it has just been just brilliant having everyone back in school. Has it been quieter at home? It has certainly been noisier in school.

The children have really returned well - with smiles and an enthusiasm for learning. Our focus for the rest of this term and next term is to make sure that all the children have secured their learning ready for the next move to the next year. We will be looking at an active lifestyle and the benefits of being outdoors now the weather is starting to improve. Throughout the school, everyone has been getting creative with their learning. In Reception classes the children have been making the most of the wet weather to get out and socialise in their puddle suits in the wet play area. Year 1 are straight back into practising their letters and numbers.



**Get a test through your employer**

Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.

**Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site**

You can take a rapid lateral flow test at a local site. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator.

You may need to book an appointment.

[Find your nearest rapid lateral flow test site.](#)

**Collect test kits**

You can collect up to 4 home test kits at a local collection point. Each kit contains 7 tests.

Anyone 18 or over can collect. You can check online if the location is busy before you go.

**Order home test kits online**

If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online.

Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.

[Order rapid lateral flow home test kits](#)

**What twice-weekly testing involves**

1. take a test twice a week (every 3 or 4 days apart)
2. report every result to NHS Test and Trace on the same day you take the test

[Report your test result online](#) or by calling 119.

When I peeked into Year 2, they were quietly writing and reading. Year 3 have been learning French– “Bonjour!” – and colour mixing. Year 4 have been balancing decimals with producing amazing digital art work (more about that below). In Year 5, I was amazed at the beautiful fort diagrams and Year 6 have been inspired into producing fabulous recreations of ‘The Starry Night’ painting by Van Gogh as well as a bit of cooking too

Attendance has been great – and must stay that way now so that children can really secure any patchy spots in their learning that might have appeared over the last year.

See you all on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ross

Thank you to  
the Co-op!

We would like to say a big thank you to the Alford Co-op Food Store who have very kindly donated some yummy provisions for our Breakfast Club children to enjoy. Thank you very much!



## Red Nose Day

Today, Friday 19th March it is 'Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)! Comic Relief is a national charity that is all about supporting vulnerable people and communities in the UK and internationally. This year, it's never felt more important to have some fun and raise some money to support people living incredibly tough lives.

Today, the children came to school wearing something red! This year's theme for the day is 'Share a Smile'! We made sure that we spread lots of kindness, happiness and laughs in school!

## Attendance

Attendance is now compulsory. If your child is unable to come to school, please ensure that you let school know using the usual methods.

Class Attendance for WB 12th March was:

Ladybirds - **97.4%**

Butterflies - **94.9%**

1H - **92.4%**

1W - **96.9%**

2CH - **95.6%**

2HW - **91.2%**

3B - **98.7%**

3L - **98.7%**

4BS - **98.8%**

4K - **97.6%**

5M - **94.4%**

5S - **94%**

6D - **99.2% - WELLDONE!**

6HS - **97%**



## Term Dates

TERM 4: 2020/2021

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 until  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

TERM 5: 2020/2021

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 until  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - May Bank Holiday

TERM 6: 2020/2021

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 until  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021



Please click on the website link below if you would like to make a donation. Due to Covid-19 regulations, we will be unable to accept cash donations.

<https://donation.comicrelief.com/>

Click on the link below to find out more!

<https://www.tkmaxx.com/uk/en/red-nose-day>

## Media Stars!

Did you spot us in the Skegness Standard and the Louth Leader last week..?

Click on the website link below!



[skegnessstandard.co.uk/education/great-to-have-our-whole-school-family-back-3158990](https://skegnessstandard.co.uk/education/great-to-have-our-whole-school-family-back-3158990)

## FOS Easter Colouring Competition!

The Friends of the School will be running a 'Covid - Secure' colouring contest in school next week. Free entry and your child could win a prize! The children will be able to pick up an entry form from their classroom on Monday. They need to return their colouring to their class teacher before the end of this term.

If you would like to support our PTA, please let the school know on [primaryschool@alford.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:primaryschool@alford.lincs.sch.uk) and we will pass on your name to Katy, the Chair and Mrs Haddington, Treasurer.

## Learning this Week !

The children in Year 4 have been using Scratch to animate the letters in their name. They used coding to make each letter do something different: change colour, spin, change in size, make a sound and much more! Look at their fantastic work!

In Year 6 classes, the children were using oils to recreate a famous painting by Vincent Van Gogh 'The Starry Night'. This inspired one of our brilliant Year 6 children to go home and look at more of Van Gogh's paintings. He then created this masterpiece, and we are all blown away by how brilliant it is.



# Time for Road Safety

The newsletter from the LRSP Education Team



## Term 4 –Primary Parents

### Schools reopening

Now schools have reopened, the warmer Spring weather will hopefully encourage more parents to make the school run on foot.

It may be a while since parents and children were regularly out and about near to roads so children may need reminding how to stay safe.

There may be more traffic as parents choose to transport pupils themselves instead of using provided options. Some drivers could be out of practice if they have rarely driven since last year.

We have put together some tips for staying safe near the roads.

### Top tips for staying safe

- ✓ Children should walk on the inside of the footpath, furthest away from traffic and parked cars.
- ✓ Children need to stay close to an adult. Younger pupils could either hold your hand or the handle of a pushchair.
- ✓ Always teach children to Stop, Look, Listen and Think when crossing roads.
- ✓ Encourage children to always wait for the green person before stepping onto a light-controlled crossing. Be cautious that some drivers don't always stop for a red traffic light.
- ✓ Don't forget to keep a look out for traffic on driveways and in car parks. Please reinforce the message that vehicles can come from any direction, not just left or right down the road.



- ✓ Choose safe places to cross roads. Lollipop person (School Crossing Patrols), zebra crossings and light-controlled pedestrian crossings are there to help!

- ✓ Remind children, the shortest walking routes are not always the safest!

### Road safety education in schools

Road Safety Officers from Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership deliver practical pedestrian awareness to children in year 2 and advanced pedestrian skills in year 6.

If you have a child in these year groups you could ask your child's teacher or head teacher if they have booked or would consider making a booking.

### Activity

If your child enjoys colouring they could have a go at the colouring sheet enclosed with this newsletter, from the road safety charity Brake.

### Contact us

You can contact Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership Education team on 01522 805800.

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