



Illogan School Newsletter

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Reopening of Illogan School to all pupils on Monday 8th March 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Full Reopening of Schools on Monday 8th March

As I am sure you are aware, Illogan School will reopen to all children on Monday 8th March and we are absolutely delighted to welcome all children back on site.

We all know that Coronavirus has not gone away, so our Risk Protection measures will remain in place for the safety of all of our community. These include;

- Staggered start and finish to the school day to alleviate crowding. Please do not gather in any part of the school site and respect social distancing at all times, especially near the gate and by classroom entrances. Please ensure that your child is in class to start learning at 8.50 rather than arriving at this time. Also please do not arrive on the school site before 2.50 pm.
- Please avoid using our reception area unless strictly necessary, especially at times where Curnow school are arriving or departing. Please telephone to talk to a staff member.
- Clear one way system. Please adhere to our marked entrances and exits on site. Shortcuts save you seconds and put many others at risk
- The wearing of face masks for those not medically exempt is requested at all times on site
- Children will continue to wear school uniform and bring only the absolute necessities to school – water bottle, packed lunch, coat etc. Children must not bring toys, pencil cases etc.
- Rules on school shoes have been relaxed since last September and children can wear trainers/sturdy shoes suited to being outside more
- Children will continue to wear their PE kits to school on their designated PE days to avoid having to bring PE kits to school
- Increased ventilation at school to ensure the flow of fresh air. Windows are open all day so your child may need to wear additional layers
- School bubbles remain intact all day on site and there is no crossing of staff. We ask you to respect this by not meeting in groups out of school until Government guidance is relaxed. Staff safety is vital at this time and this is compromised by cases of children having play dates with other families, attending large gatherings, having sleep overs and having visitors in their houses to cut their hair etc. It is vital that we all work together as a team to keep ourselves safe.
- Staff will continue to take twice-weekly Lateral Flow Tests to stem the asymptomatic spread of Coronavirus. There is no plan to routinely test primary aged children.
- Immediate notification to school of any potential Covid symptoms and updates on tests. Please do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms. Isolate them at home and get your child tested immediately. We need to know if your child has symptoms, is being tested and the eventual result of the test.

School attendance will be mandatory for all pupils from 8 March. Remote learning packs and the uploading of videos and feedback on Class Dojo will end on Friday 5th March. The usual rules on school attendance apply, including:

- parents' duty to secure their The only children who should not attend school are a small number of pupils who will still be unable to attend in line with public health advice to self-isolate because they:
child's regular attendance at school (where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age)
- are in receipt of a shielding letter from the Government – we will need to see this letter
- have symptoms or have had a positive test result
- live with someone who has symptoms or has tested positive and are a household contact
- are a close contact of someone who has coronavirus (COVID-19)

If this causes you any concern or if you need support in helping your child to return to school, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us here.

If you borrowed a school Chromebook this must be returned on March 8th or your child's first day back. These should be returned to the school office for cleaning and checking ahead of their return to the classroom charging unit. Please ensure that you return the charger that was lent to you and let us know on return of any issues with the Chromebook.

Breakfast Club will continue to run each morning from 7.45 am. Entrance is via the front office where a member of staff will sign your child in. Payment is via Parent Pay.

Flying Start will update Illogan School parents in due course regarding their plans to resume care after school.

School lunch provision remains in place and children will be asked to make choices in the morning on arrival.

Children in receipt of Free School Meals will continue to be provided with a choice of meals at school and the entitlement to shopping vouchers will end on Friday 5th March. Children can continue to bring their own packed lunch to school and all lunches will be eaten in classrooms to maintain bubble integrity.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank every single one of you who has supported our remote learning provision to provide your child with patient care and encouragement to continue their educational journey at home. We have been dazzled by the work submitted and the way in which you have skillfully juggled your jobs, the care of your families and the demands of remote education.

We know that a lot of you and your children will have mixed emotions about returning to school. As ever the mental welfare of all of our pupils will be a priority and we will work hard to settle all children back into school as effectively as we can, just as we did in September. Please set aside time to talk with your children and prepare them for their return to school. It is vital that all children attend from 8th March as our focus in that week will be on settling the children back into our routines, assessing their learning and establishing positive learning habits again.

We can't wait to see you all back here again.

Best wishes,
Jo Knuckey
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 23rd February 2021: Return to school
Wednesday 31st March 2021: Last day of term
Thursday 1st April 2021: Inset day
Monday 19th April 2021: Return to school
Monday 3rd May 2021: Bank holiday
Friday 28th May 2021: Last day of term
Monday 7th June 2021: Return to school
Wednesday 21st July 2021: Last day of term
Thursday 22nd July 2021: Inset day

Blackbird Pie Magazine

Please see link below for the February & March issue of DIGITAL Blackbird Pie Magazine - produced in Cornwall, for families across Cornwall. Surf across the topics and immerse yourself in articles. Find lots of free activities, vouchers, competitions, and resources for families. Make mini pizzas with a local chef, outdoor play ideas, indoor arts, crafts, story-telling, news & creative fun from local museums, attractions and artists. All FREE to download. Just click below. Don't forget to sign up and you will be emailed each issue and details of competitions.

Link=<https://blackbirdreads.turtl.co/story/cornwallfebruaryhalfterm/>

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Teaching Personnel Easter card design competition

Teaching Personnel are running an Easter card competition where children could win a £25 gift voucher for the store of their choice and the runner up will receive an Easter Egg!

Entry details below:

We want to spread some Easter cheer this year, given that the beginning of 2021 has been rather odd. Who better to design a bright and beautiful Easter card than primary school pupils! Please submit all entries as an image or PDF file to cornwallprimary@teachingpersonnel.com by Friday 12th March. If you're happy for this to be displayed on the winning card, it would be fantastic if each entry could have the pupil's **first name** and school name written in the corner somewhere. With your consent, we will share the winning image across the company and primary schools across Cornwall will be sent a printed copy to brighten up their reception!



Illogan Wondrous Word Competition- update

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Top Readers</u>	<u>Overall Total</u>
3	Jack R – 109,795 Toby B – 76,131 Samson C- 64,377	652,303
4	Karl K – 493,395 Lola – 418,547 Brandon L – 114,379	1,370,373
5	Rosie C – 448,012 Douglas B – 418,122 Connie B– 391,167	2,146,715
6	Isaac R – 362,918 Lowenna P– 195,134 William R – 52,436	754,372

Dojo Awards

Before half term we gave Dojo certificates to the following children. Well done!

BRONZE – 50 points

Year 3 – Sophia

Year 4 – Mollie, Hope, Savannah, Alfie R, Cadan, Ryan, Amy & Tatum

Year 5 – Aalaya, Charlie, Chloe, Connie, Douglas, Emelia, Ethan, Faith, Kayden, Keely, Libby, Maisy, Miley, Oscar, Paige & Zac

SILVER – 100 points

Year 3 – Aliza

Year 4 – Erin, Kane, Seb, Lola, Ruby & Rohan

Year 5 – Georgia, Isabelle, Jacob, Nathan, Niamh, Oliver, Rosie, Tyler, Tylor, Miley, Faith, Keely & Xander

GOLD – 200 points

Year 2 – Charlie F, Betsy & Phoebe

Year 3 – Hope, Ella & Isaac

Year 4 - Karl

Year 5 – Jacob, Tyler & Nathan

PLATINUM-400 points

We have given out the first Platinum award to Jack R in Year 3 – Well done!

BELIEVE AWARDS

Before half term staff awarded Believe Awards to children who have been believing in themselves. The awards went to:

YEAR 1

Caitlin – for believing in everything she does! ‘What an outstanding rap you wrote and performed for keeping safe online!’

James – for extending his science animal learning by making dinosaur pool!

YEAR EYFS

Jaxon S & Leon S – for believing in the value of the following your interests and learning about the life cycle of a frog.

YEAR 3

Tianna-May E-V – For believing in her own ability to keep persevering to complete her maths work.

Sophia I – For believing that she can improve her stamina for writing in order to finish a whole story.

YEAR 2

Jasmine W – For believing that she can read trickier texts & really going for it!

Max K - For believing that he can improve his spelling and doing just that!

Year 5

Xander P – During a PE lesson, Xander believed in his team mate’s abilities by providing them with clear instructions on how to overcome the challenge and ensured everyone was included.

Connie B – For believing in her ability to understand the new fractional maths learning and for believing that she can always improve her writing through pushing the boundaries of her learning. Well done.

YEAR 4

Ryan M – For showing brilliant belief in himself. He is showing determination to achieve in all his lessons.

Mollie C – For showing belief in her own ability to overcome any challenges.

YEAR 6

Zac B –For believing in himself this week and taking pride in his work. Zac has been focused and motivated with his learning.

Aimee W – For believing in herself this half term and working hard every single day! Well done.