





October^{23rd} 2020

Happy Half-Term

We wish our families a happy and safe half-term. Although Greater Manchester restrictions mean many half-term plans have been cancelled and many of you will still be working, we hope you are able to find some time as a family to rest and recharge. Stay safe everyone.



Remembrance Merchandise

Remembrance goodies from The Royal British Legion will remain on sale after half-term. Items include: rulers, sharpeners, wrist bands and keyrings. We are asking for a minimum donation of £1 for each item. Poppies will also be available with a minimum donation of 20p. Please send any donations to school with your child in an envelope. Items will be sold in a COVID safe way and delivered to each bubble.



School Dinners: Autumn term 2

Thank you for supporting our school meal service- If we don't use it, we may lose it! Please top-up your Eduspot account accordingly ready for after half-term:

Weekly £12.00 (5 days) / Half-term: £84.00 (35 days)

Secondary School Place 2021

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2021, please make sure that you complete the on-line application form which closes at 5pm on **31**st **October** <u>www.oldham.gov.uk</u> <u>/admissions</u> (for Oldham residents only). Tameside families should be contacted separately as you must apply through the appropriate borough, regardless of where the secondary school is.

Extra-Curricular Clubs: Autumn term 2

Payment must be received in advance via Eduspot. Places are limited and a waiting list is held with the school office. Mon Club: Class 2, Multi-skills, 3:30-4:30pm. Tue Club: Class 4, Street Dance to Hip-Hop, 3:30-4:30pm. Thus Club: Karate for Concentration, 3:20-4:15pm (places are booked directly with the club)

Friezland Shout outs!

Well done to all our pupils who completed their **Bikeability Course** this week! We hope you had fun. Our **guitarists**, Elijah, Nieve and Holly, took part in a live virtual concert this week too. We're proud of how all our children engage in a broad and balanced curriculum and develop their strengths both within and beyond the classroom. You're all amazing.

COVID 19 Updates

Greater Manchester will be moved into COVID Tier 3, 'Very High Risk', by the Government from Friday 23rd Oct. An information sheet has been sent with the newsletter which highlights what this means. During the half-term break, schools remain a key part of the 'track & trace' system. If a Friezland pupil tests positive over half-term or your household has to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case, please e-mail info@friezland.oldham.sch.uk with the information or to request a member of staff contacts you. The in-box will be checked daily.

Halloween Pumpkin Trail

Friezland Church is organising a Halloween Pumpkin Trail on Saturday 31st October from 10:00am- meeting at the gate opposite the Church Hall. A flier has been sent with the newsletter.

Halloween Fundraiser

Thank you for your support with last week's Halloween Fundraiser. We raised **£267** which is another class I-pad! Thank you to everyone- especially if Miss Swaby refused you any change!

Frostie Bookings: Autumn term 2

Frostie booking-in forms for before and after school care for autumn term 2 have been e-mailed home and are available on our school website. Paper copies can also be collected when dropping / collecting your child from Frosties. Although the form covers the half-term, you can send them in weekly if your work commitments mean you can't plan too far in advance. **Thank you for using the forms for all bookings apart from those at short notice.** If you use childcare vouchers, thank you for e-mailing the school office to alert us to the name and amount so that we can match up the payments quickly once they reach our bank account (this can take 5-10 working days). As these transactions are not straightforward, we would be grateful for bulk payments wherever possible. **Please ensure your account is balanced as we may not be able to offer the service if debt is accrued.**



Dates for the Diary 2020-2021

November

2nd Nov: Start of Autumn Term 2 (MON)

3rd Nov: Pupil 'Settling-in' reports sent home.

6th Nov: Class 4, Gary the Viking visit

11th & 17th: Class 4 Virtual Parent-Teacher meetings (details to follow)

12th & 17th: Class 1-3 Virtual Parent-Teacher meetings (details to follow) 10th Nov: Flu Immunisations (in school) YR-6. CONSENT/DECLINE

MUST BE GIVEN VIA VIRTUAL LINK SENT IN AN E-MAIL.

13th **Nov:** Children in Need Virtual Duck Race (details to follow)

27th Nov: Individual & Sibling Photographs (re-scheduled)

December

18th Dec: End of autumn term 2 (FRI)