



Ottery Primary School Newsletter



8th October 2018

Technical issues:

It has recently come to our attention that our text and email service has been sporadic in successfully delivering updates to parents. We are working closely with Tucasi to resolve the issue as quickly as we can. In the meantime, if you are one of the 'lucky ones' who still receives the messages, could we ask for your support in advertising the school website and Twitter feed among other parents as a way of keeping up to date with events in school?

Many thanks for your help with this. We hope to be fully back up and running soon.

Mornings:

Could take this opportunity to remind you of our request not to try to meet with teachers at the beginning of the day? This is an extremely busy time for teachers. Please make an appointment via the office to meet with teachers or arrange a phone call with them for after school.

As part of our safeguarding procedures, please ensure that you bring your child in via the office if you are running late and arrive after the classroom doors have closed.

Assistant Headteacher Interviews :

We have shortlisted four candidates for the Assistant Headteacher role vacated by Alice Purcell. Interviews will be taking place next week over two days. I will, of course, keep you updated on events.

Lost Property:

Please do check through the lost property boxes for any items that your child may have mislaid in school. Named items are much easier to find. We are currently starting up our Green Team and one of their key roles will be to reunite named clothing with its owners before disposing of un-named items. Please be sure not to lose out by not naming clothing.

Dates for the Diary:

Year 2 Fire Station visit	Friday 12 th October am
Bag2School Collection	Thursday 18 th October
Half-term week	w/c 22 nd October
School closed	Monday 5 th and Tuesday 6 th November
Last day of term	Friday 21 st December

Flu Vaccinations :

Flu vaccinations are being offered to all children in years Reception to Year 5. Consent forms are being sent home this week, and need to be returned before half-term if you wish your child to receive their vaccination in school. NHS England have sent us the following information, which you may find useful. Vaccination date is Friday 2nd November, and the consent forms will need to be returned by Friday 19th October.



Earlier this year, our beautiful son, Coby, died from flu. He was just nine-years old and lived with us here in Devon.

Like every child, Coby was a special little boy. He loved maths, computers and playing with his friends. We miss him every day and our life is not the same without him.

We don't want anyone to go through what we've been through. That's why we're urging parents to get their child vaccinated against flu.

With thanks and best wishes,

Louise and Jamie, Coby's mum and dad



#ThumbsUpForCoby

The children's flu vaccine is offered as a yearly nasal spray to help protect children against flu.

Children from **reception to year five** will receive a consent form from their school, via letter or online. **Consent forms must be completed for your child to be vaccinated.** Many parents have already returned their forms.

If your child is aged **2 to 4**, or has a **long-term condition**, like **asthma** or **diabetes**, **contact your GP** and book them in for a vaccination. Clinics are available now and are filling up.

Protect your child and those around them now. Get the flu vaccine.

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