



Ottery Primary School Newsletter



25th September 2020

Covid symptoms

Thank you for your continued support and patience this term as we all try to navigate our way through the inevitable confusion of covid symptoms and seasonal flu, cough and cold symptoms. We are closely monitoring the government guidance and updates and keep our school website regularly updated with the latest information. This can be accessed [here](#). As a school we will continue to keep you all as updated as possible with any changes or developments to the current guidance.

We all need to remain vigilant and cautious as the seasons change and we move further into autumn and towards winter. There is a lot of information in the press and some confusing messages. The first port of call for medical advice should always be the NHS 111 service or your GP.

New Staff Members

We are pleased to announce that we have four new members of staff joining us in the coming weeks. Mrs Philippa Allard and Mr Chris Austin are joining our Mealtime Assistant team, and Mrs Gina Lecompte and Mrs Stefanie Moore will be working as Teaching Assistants. We look forward to them joining our staff teams very soon.

Good News

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Katie Dryden and her husband have welcomed a baby daughter to the world. Mollie Jennifer Lynn Dryden was born on Friday 18th September, and both mother and baby are doing well.

School Photographs

In the current climate, we are having to make significant changes to the timetable for individual and family group photos this year. As a result, Tempest Photography will be visiting us next Wednesday 30th September, but will be taking individual photos for our new Reception children only. We are hopeful that we will be able to offer individual and family group photos for the rest of the school at some point next year, but obviously this is very much dependent on guidelines during this pandemic.

School Dinners

Dolce are pleased to announce that they will be resuming their full menu with effect from 5th October. The menu is now live on School Grid. If you have been receiving emails from School Grid informing you that meals have been cancelled from your child's account, this is because the menus

have been replaced, and as a result the meals you pre-ordered are no longer available. Please could you therefore ensure you re-order your child's lunches, thank you.

Next Thursday 1st October, Dolce are offering a special Disney menu for School Census Day, which is when we would really appreciate as many children as possible having a school dinner that day, as an element of the funding received by the school is based on the number of children having a school lunch. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Thank you for your continued support at this increasingly difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Mark Gilronan