

Class/Pathway information

Secondary age pupils- COVID home testing:

[Please click here for a letter](#) about home testing for our secondary aged pupils.

Please use this [LINK](#) to Report results.

Whole school information

Covid

There have been no further reported cases of Covid-19 pupils in school this week.

Health Assessments for Children

Children with a learning disability are entitled to a Health assessment each year from the age of 14, this is carried out at the GP practice. We have organised a talk from Lynn Morris, a strategic health facilitator, who will help us understand what should happen, why it is important, and how to get your child access to this support. The meeting is taking place on Wednesday 31st March from 7:30pm – 9pm, Via TEAMS, to join in please click this link to enter your details [Learning Disability Health Assessment sign up](#)

Specialised transport

[Please click here](#) for Derbyshire County Council's updated guidance for Home to School Transport.

World down Syndrome Day

Thank you to all those families who supported World Down Syndrome day with us today. We have compiled a video of our celebrations. [Click here to view.](#)

Fire Drills and Lockdown Drill

This week we have undertaken a fire drill and lockdown drill (in the case that we need to lock the school down). In the case of a fire drill the whole school moves to the muster point on the Brack Track playground. Those pupils who require support with this have a PEEP (Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan). For lock down, all pupils remain in the classrooms, blinds are dropped, windows/doors are locked and lights are turned off. It is important that we have frequent practices for both procedures so the children get used to these and don't panic and also know what to do. The children did extremely well with both drills.

Building works

Planning has been granted for a temporary classroom to be installed on school site over the Easter holidays to support with increasing numbers of pupils.

We also have a planning application live for a four-classroom brick build extension to the school, again to support with increasing pupil numbers.

We continue to develop the Forest School's Area. This will have 3 key areas:

- The physical literacy area. This is now complete with the installation of a climbing frame and swing
- A horticulture area- we have had poly tunnels delivered to school which will be installed soon

- A multi-use area- so den building, fire building etc. A fence will be installed to separate the horticulture and multi-use areas

We have had a sensory swing installed into the Maple classroom and continue to work with the OT Nicola to build this into the children’s sensory diets.

More information on building works will follow in the news letter.

Our School Day

Please be reminded of the school times.

Student Arrival and Registration	8.55 – 9.05 – Taxi drop off 9.00 – 9.10 – Parent drop off
Morning Session	09.10 – 11.40
Lunch Session (30 minutes within this time)	11.40 – 13.10
Afternoon Session	13.10 – 14.20
Pupil Departure and Pastoral Time	14.20 – 14.35 – Taxi collection 14.30 – 14.40 – Parent collection

Attachments

Please use this [LINK](#) to view Derbyshire County Council’s Deaf & Hearing-impaired services Newsletter - March 2021.

Derbyshire County Council are offering FREE online Alcohol Awareness Training – Please use this [LINK](#) for more information.

First Steps ED have launched a new series of 90-minute Continuous Professional Development training, designed to educate professionals, parents and carers to better understand and support their peers and/or loved ones. Please use this [LINK](#) for more information.

Please use this [LINK](#) to find out more information about Rainbows upcoming annual event.



Derbyshire Wildlife Trust needs you, please use this [LINK](#) for more information.

Upcoming dates from the school calendar

Easter Holidays:

The last day of term is **Thursday 1st April** and the school day will finish at **12pm**, school reopens Monday 19th April.