



The Russett School Newsletter

Week beginning 14th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers and families,

This week the Government announced that Cheshire West and Chester will become part of an Enhanced Support Package due to the rise of Covid cases in the area. As a result, the requirement for pupils in year 7 and above to wear face coverings has been re-introduced. This also applies when travelling on transport.

Sports Day

Unfortunately, due to the National and Local Authority guidance and restrictions, we are unable to have parents at sports day this year. The maximum group of 30 people outside also applies to academies. However, as next week is Sports Week, from Monday to Thursday afternoons between 1.30 and 2.30, class groups will take it in turns to take part in sporting activities. At the end of the week we will be sending out a special Sports Week Bulletin which will celebrate Sports Week and include photographs of the activities.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all those parents/carers who attended the parent's evenings over the last two weeks. We were pleased to see how well attended they were, despite being run slightly different this year, If you would like to send any feedback, please email the admin email address.

We are welcoming Jess Dennis back to the academy at the beginning of next month, full time as Deputy Head of academy for lower school.

A reminder in the hot weather to apply sun cream to your child before they come in to the academy. Please also send a hat/cap and sun cream in to the academy clearly labelled with your child's name.

A reminder that the last day for the pupils is Monday 19th July. Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st are INSET days and the academy will be closed to pupils.

Please be considerate of our neighbours when driving and parking in the vicinity of the academy.

In view of the extension to the lifting of lockdown, we will continue to follow the guidance and would like to remind parents to socially distance at the gate and wear a face covering.

Early years pupils have been going swimming since we returned after half term.

Year 8 and 9 pupils visited Petty Pool College this week and enjoyed various outdoor activities.



Covid 19



If your child has:
 a high temperature
 a new, continuous cough, or
 a loss of, or change in, sense of
 smell or taste

**This could be a sign of
 coronavirus**

Book a test

If your child has:
 a runny nose, is sneezing or
 feeling unwell
But they don't have:
 a high temperature
 a new, continuous cough, or
 a loss of, or change in,
 sense of smell or taste

**These are
 not normally symptoms of
 coronavirus**

**Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
 111 or see your GP**

Please keep us informed at all stages to ensure that the academy can remain open and ensure the safety of the other pupils and staff.

Pupil absence during term time

Can I remind you that if a request is made for a pupil to be absent from the academy during term time, it will be unauthorised unless the circumstances are exceptional. The Local Authority will then issue a fine to parents/carers where the absence is for 5 consecutive days, in accordance with S.444 of the Education Act 1986.

Pupil Absence

Can I remind you that it is the duty and responsibility of a parent/carer to contact the academy as soon as possible to inform us if their child is going to be absent from the academy and for what reason. This should be done on the first day of absence and if the child is absent for more than one Day, the academy should be kept updated daily. This can be done by telephone 01606 855832 or by email to admin@russett.cheshire.sch.uk or in writing via the escorts.

Parent/carer contact numbers

It is important that we are able to contact you at all times and especially in the case of an emergency. Can you please make sure that if we have to contact a parent/carer in an emergency, that you are available. Ideally, we require three contact names and numbers for each pupil. Please also remember to update us with any change in contact details.

Pupil Illness

Please keep pupils off from the academy if they are not well. The Pupil Illness Protocol is on the academy website and advises of the reporting procedure and gives guidance on different illnesses. If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must stay off for 48 hours from the last bout.

Medical/Dental Appointments

Can parents please send a copy of any appointment letters into the academy if they ask to collect their child early for medical/dental appointments etc.

Facebook and Twitter

As parents are aware, the academy has an official facebook page and it can be reached through the link on the academy website. Please be mindful that any comments made are in the public arena. Parents and Carers can follow the academy on our twitter account: @RussettSchool and also our Facebook page. However, if you have any queries or concerns please telephone the academy, the Leadership Team is always available to discuss any queries or concerns.

Measles

Can parents/carers inform us if they or any member of the family have been in contact with German Measles, Measles or Rubella. Please inform the academy immediately.

Procedure for the supporting of pupils with medical conditions

Please can all parents ensure that when information is requested by the academy under this procedure that it is returned. Under NHS Policies, the academy does not have access to medical information held by the academy nurses

Parent View

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's academy.

Please follow the link <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/link-to-us> and support your academy.

Transport

If there are any changes to your child's transport arrangements, please ensure that you phone transport Co-ordination on either Cheshire West 01244 973377 or Cheshire East 01270 371489. There have been a number of occasions that transport have not been informed.



Benjamin, Pranav, Phoebe Minnie, Logan

Key Dates

Sports Week	Monday 21 st June 2021
Zoolab in the academy	Tuesday 29 th June 2021
Polish Day	Tuesday 6 th July 2021
Scooters & Go Karts in the academy	Tuesday 6 th July 2021
Academy closes	Monday 19 th July 2021
INSET Day	Tuesday 20 th July 2021
INSET Day	Wednesday 21 st July 2021

Thank you for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Catherine Lewis', written over a light green rectangular background.

Catherine Lewis

EXECUTIVE HEAD TEACHER