# ASH GREEN WEEKLY NEWS





Thank you to everyone for their incredible support again this week. We have had very high levels of staff absence and many children off but the children in school have been brilliant, the staff have worked tirelessly and the support we have from you, the community, has helped us to have another terrific week in school against all odds! If your child is at home at present please keep communicating with class staff on EEXAt (EY) and Seesaw (KS1 and 2) to ensure that work is being set appropriately. For those in school, we finished the week today with a fantastic performance of Cinderella which our children from Reception to Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed!





We have had some initial meetings this week looking at how we can develop the area around our Lower Site to make it a safer and more attractive environment. Plans are afoot to make the Ash Tree Road and Sunnybank Road roads much safer with new parking controls to help children and families come and go on foot more safely but also to look at re-developing the municipal playground on the junction of the roads and make it a more exciting and safe child-friendly place to play! Watch out for more news!!

## MIXENDEN FOR THE FUTURE

We are working with local organisations to look at the future of the Mixenden Activity Centre. There are lots of organisations hoping to take on the running of the Centre and we are ensuring that at the forefront of this is that the Centre should be run for local people and children. Watch this space.

We are also hopeful that this is the year that we finally see the Hub project up and running on Mixenden Road. This should give us a brand new library, medical services, shops and a community space.



We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor. The hours are 6.25 per week

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Please look on our school website – www.ashgreen.info under the 'Key Info' tab. You can download and print the application form but if a paper copy is required please ask at the school office.

> Closing date for applications is Tuesday 8 February at 9am.



The holiday camp is for children aged 5-11 years (up to year 6).It will run for 4 days, it is fully funded if your child is eligible for free school meals.

A healthy meal and snacks will be provided.

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Monday 21st February- Thursday 24th February 10am till 2pm Ash Green Primary Lower site

To book a place please contact Chloe 07375065975











### KEEPING CALDERDALE SAFE DURING COVID-19

#### If you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19

- → You are legally required to self-isolate for 10 days unless you are fully vaccinated, or you are below the age of 18 years 6 months
- → If you are not required to isolate, you should take a Lateral Flow test **every day for 7** days, or until 10 days since your last contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19 if this is earlier. Children under the age of 5 are not advised to take part in daily Lateral Flow testing.
- → Take a single **PCR test as soon as possible** while you are self-isolating. However, if you have previously received a positive COVID-19 PCR test result within the last 90 days you should not take another PCR test unless you develop symptoms. When there is a surge in COVID-19 cases it may be difficult for people without symptoms to book a PCR test slot locally. If you aren't able to book a PCR test, it's important to keep doing daily Lateral Flow tests
- → Remain vigilant to COVID-19 symptoms (see below)
- → Limit close contact with other people outside the household, especially in crowded, enclosed or poorly ventilated spaces
- → Limit contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19
- → Wear a face covering in enclosed spaces and where you are unable to maintain social distancing if you are 11 or over
- → Stay away from people who are clinically vulnerable as much as possible

Remember that vaccination reduces, but does not eliminate, the risk of acquiring and transmitting infection.

#### If anyone in your household develops COVID-19 symptoms

- → The person must stay at home and self-isolate and seek a PCR test. Do not rely on a negative Lateral Flow test as these tests are not as accurate in picking up COVID-19 in people with symptoms.
- → The most important symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:
  - o a new continuous cough
  - o a high temperature
  - o a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

#### If anyone in your household tests positive for COVID-19

- → Anyone who tests positive on a PCR is required to stay at home and self-isolate in line with national guidance.
- → From 11<sup>th</sup> January, as a temporary measure, anyone who tests positive on a Lateral Flow test will be required to self-isolate immediately and does not need to take a confirmatory PCR test.
- → Everyone else in the household should follow the above guidance for people who have been in contact with a case.
- → Locally, we advise that where someone in the household has tested positive, school-aged children should undertake daily Lateral Flow testing for 7 days (in line with national guidance) There is no longer a requirement for children to stay at home for the first three days.

#### Understanding your self-isolation period following a positive COVID-19 test

- → Your isolation period includes the day your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you do not have symptoms), and the next 10 full days.
- → From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.
- → The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.
- → If the result of either or their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.
- → Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

#### Support to self-isolate

- → If anyone in your household tests positive for COVID-19 or is told to isolate as a contact of a case, support is available.
- → Support with practical tasks like shopping and collecting medications is available if you are unable to leave the house and don't have any family or friends that can help. For more information visit <a href="https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/coronavirus/help/advice">https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/coronavirus/help/advice</a> or ring 01422 392890 if you don't have access to the internet.

You may be eligible for financial assistance of £500 if you are unable to go to work because you are isolating and will lose income as a result. For more information visit <a href="https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/coronavirus-covid-19/help-people-and-communities/test-and-trace-support-payment">https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/coronavirus-covid-19/help-people-and-communities/test-and-trace-support-payment</a> or ring **01422 288003** if you don't have access to the internet.

This situation is constantly evolving with more news this week about proposed relaxation of restrictions next week and down the line- I am doing my best to keep abreast of it and also to ensure everyone has the most up to date information!!! Mr Sheppard.