



# Cusgarne School Bulletin

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Dear Parents,

I attended a meeting this week with our Education Welfare Officer to discuss attendance of the children in the school, particularly looking at those who fall below the expected average for this time of year. Please ensure that your child is in school, and if you have any doubts or concerns then please do not hesitate to contact the school to discuss. We will continue to track and monitor attendance as the term goes on. On this note, I wanted to inform you that the Aspire Attendance Policy has been updated in line with the Department for Education guidance, and this policy can be found on our website should you wish to view it (you will find it under the 'Parents' section of the homepage).

This week, the children in Kingfisher class have been trialing a new online learning platform called Atom Learning. This enables them to access resources for English, Maths & Science. All links to parents have been sent out via email, please make sure you click on the link so that you can activate your parent account. This not only allows you to monitor your child's progress, but there's also a webinar available for you to watch, and this gives you help and guidance on how to use the platform in order to assist your child should they need you to.

A notice for all parents, please can you ensure that your child is able to access Google Classroom, and that they are completing their weekly homework tasks. In addition, can we also ask that you make a conscious effort to ensure your child has practiced their spellings and that they are also reading regularly. I know we all lead busy lives, but it can benefit the children greatly if they read to an adult (outside of school) daily.

Can I please remind you all that if your child's hair is below their shoulders then it must be tied back for health and safety reasons. If they wish to wear their hair down, it must be above the shoulders.

Lastly, a quick reminder to all Year 6 parents that Bikeability will be taking place next Monday & Tuesday (24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>). All bikes will need to be in school for Monday morning, and the children should arrive wearing sensible clothing

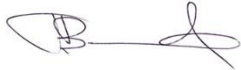


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(please refer to the letter that was sent). If you need to make arrangements getting your child's bike to school, please liaise with either Mrs. Murray or Miss. Ireson.

Enjoy your weekend whatever you're up to.

Yours Sincerely,



Tim Barnard  
Head of School

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### **Aspire Admission Arrangements 2023-24 Consultation**

In accordance with the School Admissions Regulations 2012 and the School Admissions Code 2021, the Directors of Aspire Academy Trust (AAT) are consulting on their proposed admission arrangements for the 2023/24 school year with regard to the academies within the Trust. Information on the consultation can be viewed on our School website under links and downloads or Aspire Academy Trust website ([www.aspireacademytrust.org](http://www.aspireacademytrust.org)) under school admissions.

### **COVID-19 positive test result**

In England, if someone receives a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test, *without* COVID-19 symptoms, the result should be reported to NHS Test and Trace at [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) and the individual must self-isolate immediately. However, a follow-up PCR test is not required.

After reporting a positive LFD test result, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace so that their contacts can be traced.

Anyone who develops any of the main COVID-19 symptoms, ie. a new continuous cough, high temperature/fever and loss or change to smell/taste, should stay at home and self-isolate and take a PCR test. They must self-isolate if they get a positive test result, even if they have had a recent negative lateral flow test – these rules have not changed. However, if an individual is experiencing symptoms and has already had a positive LFD test result, they do not need to take a PCR test as well and should isolate.



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