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Dear Parents,

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What a fantastic first week back! The children have really appreciated returning to school and have been loving getting back to learning with their friends. Seeing them all back in classrooms and outside playing together has really made it clear to me the importance of being in school for so many reasons. Face to face teaching is certainly the best way to teach, the instant feedback that we can receive and give the children is a huge part of the learning process which cannot be replicated through a screen. Even more importantly for me though, is the social and emotional learning that the children experience in school. Developing the whole child, working as a team member, nurturing values and character are all things that our children will learn by being in school each day. As I mentioned last week, these children will have gone through experiences unlike any generation before them and will emerge stronger for it. We now need to build upon this and really make the most of our time in school.

Comic Relief

Friday 19th March is Red Nose Day. This year feels like a good time to raise some money for people who are living really tough lives, whilst also having some fun.

This year we are having to do things a little differently...

- The most different of the things is that we need you to post photos of yourself in your red nose (if you have one) in a comment on our school Facebook page on the day.
- On Friday 19th March you may come to school in something red. (if you have something, but don't go out specially to buy something new!) You could change your hair or paint your face if you wish too.
- Prepare a joke to tell to your classmates as we have a brilliant laugh together.
- Use this link to donate rather than bringing your donation in to school

<https://donation.comicrelief.com/>

It feels a bit strange saying it, but please do **not** bring your red noses into school this year!

PTFA Cook Book

Thank you to everyone who has sent in a recipe for the PTFA cook book. There are some real delights in store! If you have a family recipe that you could share, please send it to

admin@ashtonhayes.cheshire.sch.uk .

Team Claire

Holly in Year 3 is running 25 miles in March to raise awareness and funds for TeamClaire who are working with Bowel Cancer UK. This is a charity close to Holly's family's heart as they sadly lost a close friend last month. If you would like to support Holly in her challenge please follow this link:

<https://gofund.me/4f8e50a4>.





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Other reminders

Drop off in the morning has been really effective, so thank you for bringing your children at the appropriate time.

Collection at the end of the day is a more complicated procedure. We are working really hard to keep children safely in their bubbles throughout the day and would really appreciate your support with this as you leave the school site.

- Please only enter the school site during the 5 minute window for your class. Joining the one way system when a different class is being released makes social distancing difficult.
- Once you have received your child please move straight through the car park and make your way home. We have had some blockages at times this week, which have meant a slower release of children and difficulties with distancing.
- Please only collect your own children from school, or those who are in your [support bubble](#).

It has been great to have all children back in school this week and we really want them to remain. Can I please remind you that apart from the full reopening of schools, very little else has changed. We are still in 'Lockdown' and need to follow the current government 'stay at home' guidance. I know of schools locally and nationally who have already had to close bubbles as positive cases of Covid-19 have been identified within them. We really want to make sure this does not happen to us. Coronavirus has not gone away and we need to work together to keep everyone safe.

Thanks again for your continued support,

Kind regards,

Mr Gilbert

