

# Donnington Wood CE Junior School

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## Start of Week 3: 17/01/2022

Dear parents/carers,

I thought I would start with non-Covid news for once!

### Family SeeSaw

Unfortunately we have been having technical problems with Family Seesaw since Christmas. It is now up and running. We are unique in that you can see what your child has been learning in school each week and you can like and comment on your child's work! Please log in and like and comment on their recent activities. We are delighted to see your child is flourishing!

### Smart Watches

We have had a number of children that have received expensive Smart watches for Christmas.

Watches that allow recordings, sending of messages or playing of games are not allowed in schools and need to be left at home. Fitbit style devices that record steps can be brought in, but again as long as they are not played with. We cannot be held responsible for their safe keeping nor for any damage to them whilst worn at school.

### EatWell Project

We will soon be taking part in the Telford and Wrekin EatWell Project, which aims to increase awareness of healthy lifestyles. This will include:

- Children working with our school cook this week to redesign the school menu.
- The Values Champions will be discussing healthy snacks and packed lunch boxes.
- All pupils will complete the daily dash around the playground.

## NSPCC MATHS DAY Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February

We will be having a Mufti (non-uniform) day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February to raise funds for the NSPCC (£1 donation). This nationwide school theme day celebrates the power of numbers and focusses on Maths skills. Pupils can dress as their Times Tables Rockstars avatar, or on a Number/Digit theme, or other suitable own clothes they have. Money should be donated via Parent Pay.

(Please note -**Class 5M** are out on their Adventure Day on this date. Unfortunately we cannot move the date as there are national inter-school Maths competitions we have entered. Class 5M will join in number activities before they depart)



## COVID UPDATES

A massive thank you to all those taking lateral flow tests this week. It is really helping! It has helped catch cases early, hopefully limiting the spread.

It is Telford and Wrekin policy for children to take a lateral flow test after **one positive case in a class** and because of our amazing families taking appropriate action we are detecting cases early! Thank you!

NEW GUIDANCE- national guidance has changed for a second time in a week.

### Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

**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](#). You also need to send them into school via Parent Pay.

If the result of either of 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.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

### Dates for your diary

**New Date: Year 2 to Year 3 school placements: if you have a child in Year 2- the deadline to apply for a Junior/KS2 placement is the 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2022!**

**NEW DATE - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February          NSPCC Maths Day and Mufti (non-uniform).**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February**    Class 5M rearranged Rock Climbing trip at Grinshill

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February -Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February** - Half Term

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**    Year 5 Bikeability training

**Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>**    #LetGirlsPlay Football day.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February**    Year 5 Bikeability

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March** Parent and Carer's Open Evening 3.00- 5.45 (all classes)

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**Friday 1st April** Parent and Carer Open Afternoons 1.00- 4.00 (school will shut at 12:30 after lunch)

**Week Beginning 4th April** - Easter concerts

**Friday 8th April** Last day of Spring term

**Monday 25th April** Return to school for start of Summer term.

Holiday dates for the remaining year 2022: <https://donningtonwood.com/2021/04/19/holiday-dates-2021-2022/>

**Queens Jubilee:** Please note we will now break up in the summer on **Wednesday 20th July 2022** due to a deferred Bank Holiday for all UK schools.

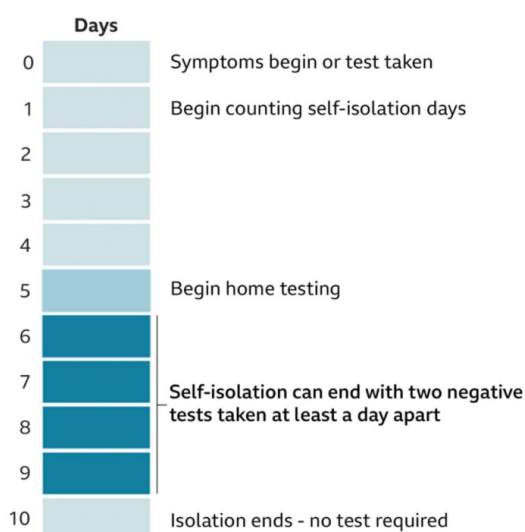
Holiday dates for 2022 and 2023: [Holidays dates 22 23 – Donnington Wood Church of England Junior School](#)

Thank you for your continued support in all these matters,

Mr Fox

Additional information [What are the Covid self-isolation rules now? - BBC News](#)

## How five-day isolation rule works in England



Source: NHS

BBC

