



Anston Greenlands Primary School

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



December Thursday 10 th Friday 18 th	Christmas Dinner – please remember to email office@greenlandsprimary.org if you'd like to book this for your child Last day – 2pm finish – return to school Monday 4 th January
February Friday 12 th	Last day – half term follows – return to school Monday 22 nd February
March Friday 26 th	Last day – Easter holiday follows – return to school Monday 12 th April
May Thursday 6 th Friday 28 th	INSET day – school closed to children Last day – half term follows – return to school Monday 7 th June
July Friday 16 th	Last day – summer holiday follows

Lockdown - Please Read Carefully

With the news that the country is heading into a second lockdown, I wanted to outline what this will mean for school. There won't be many changes; we're pleased with how things are going so far and have already put a lot in place to keep our children, staff and families safe. However, it's important that we remain vigilant and keep up to date with the latest guidance, so there will be some tweaks.

Face Masks on Site

We're now politely requesting that parents and carers wear facemasks when dropping off / picking up children. This remains a personal choice; however it is strongly recommended and we'd appreciate your support with this.

Social Distancing

We'd like to renew the focus on social distancing when dropping off and picking up children. Please remember to maintain distance from other adults on the yard and around school. We are also asking that parents do not approach staff during these times and that drop off is kept as brief as possible. Any messages for teachers are encouraged to be sent by email where possible.

Pick-up / Drop-off Times

Please try not to arrive early or late for your pick-up / drop-off times. We know this is sometimes unavoidable (e.g. if you are waiting after dropping off siblings) but we're keen to limit the numbers of people on site at any one time. Thank you for your support with this.

Scooters / Bikes

We are now asking that children do not come to school on scooters or bikes. This is because we want to remove the possibility of children from different bubbles crossing over at the bike shelter area. Apologies for any inconvenience.



Volunteers / Adults on Site

Unfortunately we are not able to welcome volunteers into school at the moment. Apart from very few exceptions (e.g. contractors for repairs) we cannot have any adults apart from staff in the building. This unfortunately means that we cannot welcome parents to any events, so for example, the Y5/6 Escape Room, which was being planned in a Covid-safe manner, can now not take place with parents. Please rest assured that we'll still be holding plenty of events for children (e.g. Christmas parties) – we'll just need to do them slightly differently.

As always, thank you for your continued support with all of this. We're very proud of how well our children are managing with the current changes. They really are so resilient!

Website

A big thank you to everyone who completed our recent survey about the website. You may have noticed that we've made a few changes in light of the feedback we received. As always, visit www.anstongreenlands.org for all the most up-to-date news and photos from your child's class!

Online Safety Update

This month, our online safety spotlight is on **Instagram**. Click on the link on the Newsletters page to find out more. If you are ever worried about the safety of a child online, you can get advice at www.thinkuknow.co.uk. You can also report concerns at <https://www.ceop.police.uk/>.