



Aycliffe Village Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The third week of term has been another busy one in school. Unfortunately, we had to close ‘Bubble 2’ on Tuesday morning as we had a positive case confirmed within that bubble. We received the information after the children had arrived in school so acting on advice from Public Health all close contracts had to return home to self-isolate shortly after they arrived. Thank you to all the parents and carers for your understanding and speedy response when collecting children. I’d also like to say thank you to Mr Watson and Mrs Parker for all their hard work ensuring that the deep clean that needed to take place took place so thoroughly and efficiently. We look forward to **welcoming the children in bubble 2** back to school on Tuesday 26th January.

After 3 weeks of providing packed lunches and food hampers for children entitled to free school meals we will be able to provide **food vouchers** from Monday 25th January. If eligible parents do not receive their initial email from Edenred by Tuesday 26th January please contact Mrs Swainston in the school office and she will endeavour to resolve any issues.

You should by now have received your letter informing you of the move to a new **Google Classroom** from Monday 25th January 2021. We have already seen that some pupils have logged into the new site, well done. Additional information is also included with this newsletter. We will have **ALL** home learning tasks on this platform from Monday. Again, if you require any support please contact us and we will do all we can to help.

Thank you to everyone who has returned answers to surveys. This is greatly appreciated and helps school to plan more effectively. The survey about loaning **DfE Chromebooks** is still active

<https://bit.ly/3bVrp2C>

Stay safe everyone, Mrs Adamson

Headteacher Awards

I will be hosting Celebration Assemblies from next Friday via Google Meet. I'll send out more information next week. I have noticed some excellent work both in school and online and so this week I would like to award the following children a Headteacher's award. For those children in school the certificates have been handed out in person, for those at home your certificate is already in the post. **Well done.**



Class	Headteacher Award	Reason
Willow	Lucy W	Outstanding effort when working at home.
Horse Chestnut	Max C	For his Geography video that he uploaded on Google Classroom.
Sycamore	Jenson P	For always being positive and enthusiastic in and around school.
Lime	Zachary H	For outstanding effort with home learning. Every piece of work submitted has been to a high standard.
Silver Birch	Harry P	This is for working extremely well at home and putting in 100% effort in Google Classroom work
Rowan	James B	For working really hard in school on all subjects
Hawthorn	Eloise H	For completing all tasks to an incredibly high standard.

Class Star Awards

Willow	Indie W, James C
Horse Chestnut	Oliver J, Elliot B
Sycamore	Adam L, Harrison D
Lime	Effie S, Heath D
Silver Birch	Kayden B, Alex C
Rowan	Joseph D, Imogen C
Hawthorn	Dylan R, Summer P

Author Adam Bushnell will be **broadcasting live on Wednesday 3rd February via Google Meet** to each of our Bubbles in school and for everyone at home. I am working out the timetable with Adam as I write and will let you all know in plenty of time when he will be working live with each class.

For more information about Adam please visit his website. Whilst it is his first visit to Aycliffe Village Primary I hope it is the first of many. I know the children will have an amazing time in his writing workshop.

<http://www.adambushnell.co.uk/>