

Week 5 Newsletter



Pennyman
Primary Academy

The academy continues to be alive with the buzz of learning. The children are working incredibly hard across the curriculum, producing some amazing pieces of work. As you can see from the pictures, the children have been showing all four of our Diamond Standards: curiosity, care, commitment and courage during the course of the week.



As the temperature drops further, it is important that we have air flow through the academy. To be able to do this, we have to have the windows and internal doors open. As a result, it can be rather chilly in the academy. We want to remind you to make sure that your child needs to have a jumper and coat with them, even if it looks bright outside. Uniform is a key part of our identity at Pennyman, so here is a reminder of what our expectations are.

- Grey or black trousers
- Grey, black or tartan dress or skirt
- White or red polo shirt
- Black shoes
- Red jumper or cardigan



Please can children come to school each day with their own water bottle. It is not the responsibility of the office to deliver bottles to the classrooms. If you forget to send a bottle, we will get a drink for your child in the academy. A PE kit needs to be brought in on their PE day and taken home at the end of the day. Book bags can be brought in each day, but your child will only be able to change their books on Mondays and Thursdays.



May we remind you that, even with the new restrictions, the academy remains open. Thank you again from the team at Pennyman for your continued support this term, it is really appreciated.

Questions and Answers

How can you help to keep others safe? Can we remind you to observe, where possible, social distancing according to Public Health guidance, in order to make sure staff and children are kept safe. Once your child has entered the academy, please leave as quickly as possible unless you are waiting to drop off or collect another child. Please try to avoid using the academy drive way to turn cars around.

What do you need to bring for PE? The PE kit needs to include sports trainers, jogging bottoms, shorts, t-shirt, a jumper and a raincoat. PE will be outside every week. We suggest a change of socks too, in case their feet get wet.

What if your child needs medicine? Due to restrictions, we are not able to administer non-prescribed medicine, but if your child needs Calpol for example, you are able to bring medicine to give to your child yourself. Nurofen kids lasts for 6 hours, so this may be an alternative.

Please be aware that it is the parents/carers responsibility to follow Public Health England, government and local authority advice and that no member of Pennyman staff is in a position to make a decision for you.

What are the academy doing about parent consultations? This term we will hold parent consultations over the phone. We will let you know of the date in the near future. Please make sure we have an up to date phone number.

What do the new restrictions mean for our academy? From midnight tonight, the new restrictions come into place. This means it is against the law for people from different houses to mix inside, while it is recommended that people do not mix outside either. This will help keep all of our community safe.

Questionnaire

As you know, we value your opinions about academy and the ways in which things can be improved. With this in mind, we have put together a short questionnaire about how the academy responded to COVID 19 and the return to 'normality' in September. Please complete the survey and return it to the academy by Friday 9th October. All returned entries will go into a prize draw.



When and where do you drop off and collect your children?

| Class | Collection/Drop off | Start | Finish |
|------------|---------------------|---------------|--------|
| Nursery AM | Nursery entrance | 8:55 – 9:05 | 11:30 |
| Nursery PM | Nursery entrance | 12:25 – 12:35 | 14:55 |
| Reception | KS1 entrance | 8:40 – 8:50 | 14:40 |
| SEND | Main gate/office | 8:40 – 8:55 | 15:00 |
| Y1 | New KS1 gate ** | 8:40 – 8:50 | 14:40 |
| Y2 | KS1 entrance | 8:50 – 9:00 | 14:50 |
| Y3 | KS2 entrance | 8:45 | 15:05 |
| Y4 | KS2 entrance | 8:40 | 15:00 |
| Y5 | KS2 entrance | 8:35 | 14:55 |
| Y6 | KS2 entrance | 8:30 | 14:50 |

Please arrive on time for your child's drop off and collection.

Which day does your child need a PE kit?

| PE Timetable | | | | |
|--------------|------------|-----------------|----------|--------|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Y4 | SEND Y2 | Reception Y5 | Y1 Y3 | Y6 |

Please make sure your child has their PE kit on their day.





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COVID-19 Government Guidance

- Children must not attend the academy if they themselves have symptoms, or have had contact with individuals who are unwell with coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does.
- Everyone attending the academy must clean their hands thoroughly and more often than usual.
- Everyone will be encouraged to follow the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' and 'hands, face, space' approach.
- As an academy we have introduced a full time cleaner on site who will clean frequently touched surfaces.
- We encourage everyone to minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible.