

# NEW LUBBESTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



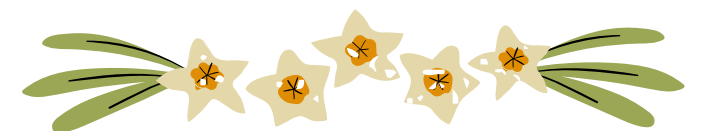
April 2021

*Message from Mr Merry*

It has been another wonderful week at New Lubbesthorpe Primary School with our before and after-school facilities operating for some students and warm weather some days. This will hopefully continue so please make sure that on really sunny days, children are wearing sun lotion and have hats. Thank you. Have a great bank holiday Monday.



## Lateral Flow Tests



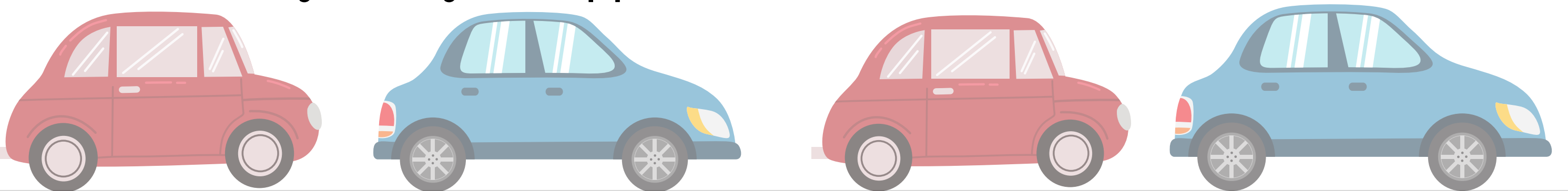
**Lateral Flow Test Guidance** Lateral flow tests are not suitable for use on young children. Primary aged children are not included in the mass asymptomatic testing programme; only secondary and college age pupils, along with their families should be taking lateral flow tests twice a week. Families who have access to LFT tests must be very clear that these are only to be used for regular testing where no one is suspected of having Covid-19. The purpose of these tests is to spot cases in the community that we wouldn't otherwise have known about. Families should not use these tests on themselves or their children if they have symptoms. A PCR test at a national testing centre must be booked where infection is suspected. A lateral flow test could fail to spot someone who is just developing an infection but a PCR test will not. Having symptoms, getting a negative LFT result and assuming you are virus free could result in you spreading the virus to others. To book a PCR test, visit: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

## Safety in school

We are continuing to remind the children to wash and sanitise their hands when they come in and out of the building or move from room to room around the school. Unfortunately, parents and carers are still not able to come into the school site unless they have an appointment. We will continue to review this in line with the government easing of restrictions. Please do make sure you continue to wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting your child. Thank you. **Children should continue to wear their PE kit to school on their PE Day.**

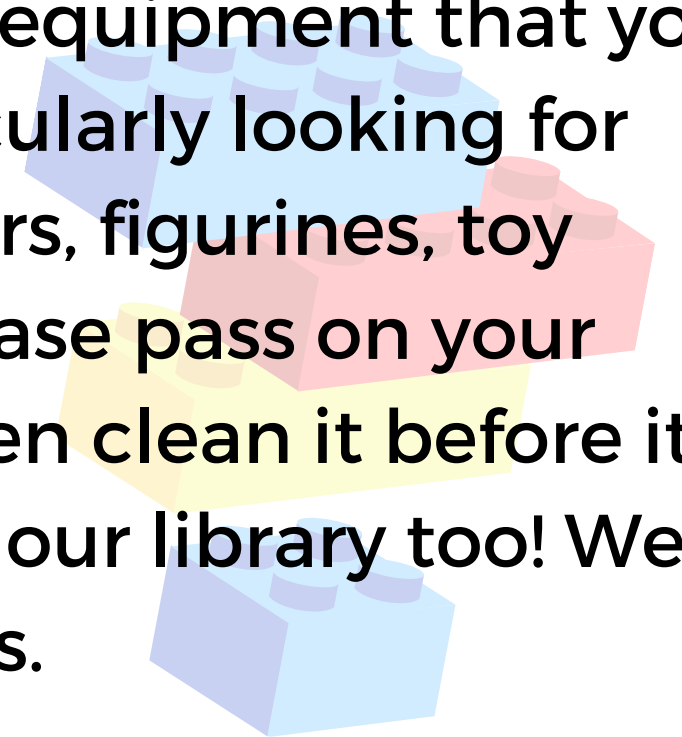
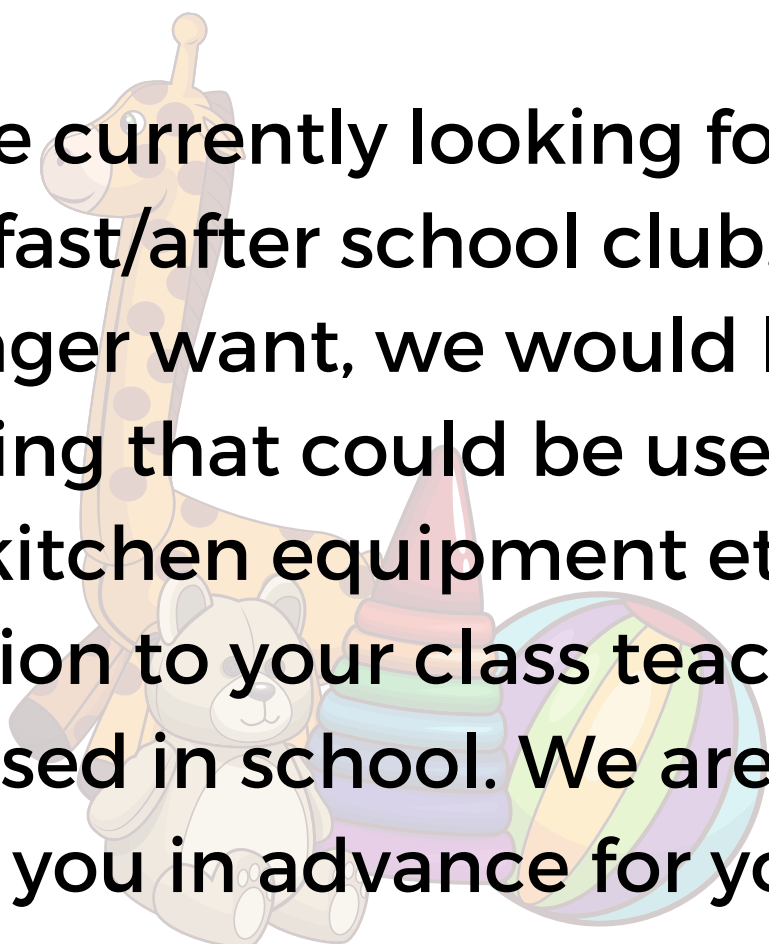
## Parking

We are getting complaints from residents on Tay Road regarding parking. Please can we remind parents and carers to not park directly by the school entrances/gates or on the restricted areas by the school. This includes private parking spaces of our residents. It causes an obstruction for our residents and the parents and carers bringing their children to and from school which could result in an accident. We will continue to monitor the parking by the school and we will be talking to parents who park without the care and consideration to others. Thank you for your support with this matter.



## Donations

We are currently looking for donations to add to our provision in EYFS and breakfast/after school club. If you have any pre-loved toys or equipment that you no longer want, we would love your donations. We are particularly looking for anything that could be used in role play, such as dolls, toy cars, figurines, toy food/kitchen equipment etc. Should you wish to donate, please pass on your donation to your class teacher who will quarantine it and then clean it before it gets used in school. We are also still looking for donations to our library too! We thank you in advance for your kindness and support with this.



## Water Beakers

Please can we remind parents/carers to send their children into school with just water in their beakers as we are a healthy school and do not encourage sugary drinks such as cordial and juices.

## Half term Holiday

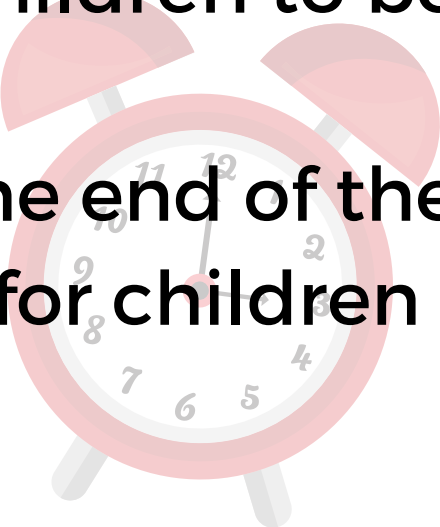


Please be aware that school is closed on **MONDAY 3rd MAY** for the May Day Bank Holiday, and that school closes on Thursday night 27TH MAY for the Half term holiday (Staff training day Friday 28th May). School will reopen on **MONDAY 7th JUNE**.



## School Day

Polite reminder that the School gates open at 8:50AM ready for children to be sat and registered for 9AM. School gates will open at the end of the school day at 3:15PM ready for children to be collected, Thank you.



## Dates for your diary

**3rd May**

school closed- Bank Holiday

**27th May**

School closes

**7th June**

School opens

**9th July**

School closes



## Summer is coming!

As the weather is starting to get warmer, please can all parents and carers ensure children are sent in to school with their water bottles, sun hats and sun cream already applied before school. Thank you for your continued support

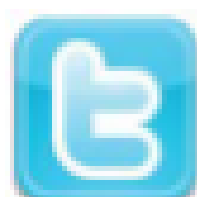


## Milk Bottle Top Collection

Please continue to donate your milk bottle tops for our local hospice project, Thankyou.



# Bag2School



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Our next **Bag2School** collection  
has been arranged for

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at ..... am / pm

Any questions - please ask your  
school collection organiser .....

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Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that New Lubbethorpe PTA has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for New Lubbethorpe Primary School.

**Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.**

As well as raising vitally needed funds for New Lubbethorpe PTA, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However, it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to the list below for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbors to see if they can support too!

**Bag2School** will be collecting from New Lubbethorpe Primary School on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to reception within school hours and help us have a successful collection. You can bring your bags as soon as you're ready as we are able to store them.

Thank you in advance for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Yours faithfully

New Lubbethorpe PTA

### **What do Bags 2 School accept?**

#### **WHAT WE COLLECT**

We accept the following '**good quality**' items for RE-USE\*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

*\* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items*

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



# R-Time

## At New Lubbesthorpe Primary School



Dear Parents/ carers,

We have begun to use a programme called R time in all classes throughout the school. This takes place once a week and lasts for about 15-20 minutes.

During the session the children work in pairs but with a partner they do not choose. Random pairing for work in schools is not new but it is very effective in developing relationships between children.

During their time together the children undertake a simple, achievable and enjoyable activity. This is designed specifically to develop the skills of negotiation, taking turns, cooperation, sharing and fairness. The language associated with the skills rapidly develops and encourages respect between children who may otherwise rarely, if ever, speak to each other. Self-esteem and mental wellbeing are enhanced.

During each session there is also a very high expectation of courtesy, respect and good manners. R time sessions require the use of; "please" and "thank you," "excuse me please," and also the use of each other's name when speaking to or about their partner.

All teaching and support staff have been trained in the R time process and we are beginning to see the results in school both in the classroom and the playground.

We have not embarked on the programme because we have any serious concerns but are convinced that R time will make our school and even better community for our children by improving communication skills and pupil well-being.

You might like to ask your child about their R time experiences. Pete Harvey will be working with some of our year 1 and year 2 pupils this term. It may well be that you might like to encourage the same type of philosophy in the home environment. We would be interested to have your comments.

If you would like to know any more, contact [www.rtime.org.uk](http://www.rtime.org.uk)

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