

Welcome back!

We hope you have enjoyed the half-term break with your loved ones. It has been lovely seeing everyone returning to us this morning looking so happy, well and fully recharged.

For your information, I have summarised the recent changes to local and national restrictions below, with respect to Covid-19, and added the respective links. The children are very aware of how we're keeping safe:



Warrington moved into a 'very high risk' (tier 3) local level on 27th October 2020:

<https://www.warrington.gov.uk/coronavirus-restrictions-warrington>

As announced by the Prime Minister on 31st October 2020, there will be new National Restrictions from 5th November 2020.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november>

'**COVID-19 case numbers** are rising rapidly across the whole of the UK and in other countries. We must act now to control the spread of the virus. The single most important action we can all take, in fighting coronavirus, is to stay at home, to protect the NHS and save lives.

When we reduce our day-to-day contact with other people, we will reduce the spread of the infection. That is why, from Thursday 5 November until Wednesday 2 December, the Government is taking the following action:

1. Requiring people to stay at home, except for specific purposes.
2. Preventing gathering with people you do not live with, except for specific purposes.
3. Closing certain businesses and venues.'

Please see the attached Business Continuity Plan in the event of partial school closures during the National Lockdown (November 2020)

Learning and development

Our learning and development plans before the half-term break continued using books, role-play and creative and imaginative play to help support the children in all the EYFS Prime and Specific areas of learning: Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language, Physical Development, Literacy, Numeracy, Expressive Arts and Design and Understanding the World. The main stories we focused on were The Three Little Pigs, Three Billy Goats Gruff and Little Red Riding Hood, and you would have probably heard your children talk a lot about what they've been up to, and seen the pictures published on Tapestry.

This term, we will be learning about celebrations, cultural events and festivals such as Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Divali, Children in Need (note: Pyjama dress-up on 13th November), Advent and Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support,
Penny and the Staff Team.