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Dear Families,

Please remember that no adults should come onto the school premises, and follow the signs around the school gate. We would also remind you about keeping a 2m distance from others at the start and end of the day: if it looks busy around the gates then consider waiting across the road until people have moved away. If you are arriving outside of the usual start/finish times please call the office on **01904 470272** and someone will come out to you. If you are dropping off or picking up for Breakfast & After School Club please ring the MOBILE number **07393 516263** and someone will come to you.

**Annual school reports** Today your child will have brought home their annual school report and, for some children, additional paperwork depending on their year group. If you would like to discuss any points from the report, please contact your child's class teacher.

**Covid rule changes** Some restrictions around schools are due to end on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July, but others do not end until Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August. To avoid any confusion or mixed messages we will be continuing with all our current systems right up until the end of term. Towards the end of the summer holiday we will be writing to you again with any arrangements that we have in place, but we have to wait and see what happens with cases nationally and locally.

**Items from home** Please make sure your child does not bring anything into school except the basic items they need for the day (water bottle, packed lunch, book bag, PE bag). No one should be bringing anything extra such as fiddlers, poppits, footballs etc. If these are brought into school they will be kept out of the way by the teacher until the end of the day.

**End of term Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** The school will close for the summer break next Friday, and as we are staggering the finish times each class will finish at the following times:

**EYFS & Ash: 1:40pm**

**Elm: 1:45pm**

**Beech: 1:50pm**

**Oak: 1:55pm**

**Buses: 2pm**

**Please note this will be the last time that we will be closing early on the last day of term: from September 2021 we will always finish at our usual time of 3:30pm.**

**Covid Delta variant** As you will know from the news, Covid cases are increasing very quickly, mainly due to the new Delta variant.

**The main early symptoms for this variant are a headache, sore throat and runny nose. We have noticed a lot more children who are absent or unwell with similar**

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**symptoms and would ask that, if your child is unwell and showing what may seem to be just a common cold, that you access a PCR test for them just in case.**

For children who suffer from hay fever & allergies, which often show these symptoms, you know your child & their health best: if a runny nose etc is 'normal' for them at this time of year, and may get better or worse depending on the pollen count or medication, an additional test is not needed.

## Dojo Awards

Well done to this week's Dojo  
award winners!

Oliver Millar	Silver
Emily Wheeldon	Silver
Jaxon Holmes-Ellerker	Silver

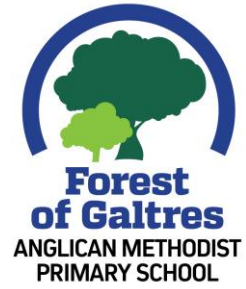
**Home testing for family members** All families with school age children can access regular Lateral Flow Device testing. *Please note, these tests are for adults without symptoms, not children.* These are the rapid tests which staff are using regularly to identify any cases without symptoms, and they are completely voluntary.

**Please do not send your child to school if anyone in your household is showing COVID-19 symptoms. For anyone showing symptoms, a PCR test at a local test centre should be booked ASAP through the NHS website.**

**Please contact us by email at [office@fog.hlt.academy](mailto:office@fog.hlt.academy)** to report any cases. Please also be assured that any contact with families about cases will not name any individual children or adults.

**Suspected cases within our school** If your child, or anyone in your household, has any COVID symptoms please let us know as soon as possible, and ensure you book a test for them, letting us know results ASAP. Where people are really struggling to access tests for children either in person or by post, we do have a small number of home testing kits in school which we can issue but the swabbing is not straightforward and we do not have enough for every family. Please let us know if you may need one of these.

**Keeping in touch with staff** All staff emails follow the format [initial.surname@fog.hlt.academy](mailto:initial.surname@fog.hlt.academy) but staff can also be contacted through Tapestry and Google Classroom. Please be aware that the member of staff you are trying to contact may not be working that day, in which case it is unlikely that they will be able to follow anything up with you.



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**e-letters** the following letters have been sent this week:

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Letters which have reply slips (eg the club booking forms) can be completed electronically and emailed back to school at [office@fog.hlt.academy](mailto:office@fog.hlt.academy)

## Diary dates

20.7.21 & 22.7.21 Y6 leavers' events

23.7.21 School closes for summer

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.