

# **Mount Hawke Academy**

Head of School: Miss C Biddick





**Dear Families** 

What a very busy Autumn Term we've had! As we have always known, the teamwork needed to ensure that our school community is happy, thriving

and learning is vital, and this term has proved again how important this is. Thankfully, even though we have had a significant wave of Covid, we have not had to close a class or the school, as our staff have stepped in and covered each other, often juggling several roles. Our children have continued to run into school, embrace their learning and make the most of each day. We have watched our new starters in EYFS and older year groups become a big part of our family and we have welcomed new staff too. Although limited by our high Covid rates, our children have swum, visited other schools, taken part in sports matches, music lessons and after school clubs.

This week has been full of Christmas activities, from making cards and calendars, to watching Cinderella online and sharing our school Christmas performances with each other. Wednesday's Christmas Dinner was delicious too!

All the staff at Mount Hawke Academy would like to thank you for your cards, kind words and gifts. These have all meant such a lot. We all wish you a wonderful and healthy Christmas and New Year, and we look forward to welcoming you back the start of our Spring Term on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Gates are open between 8.30 am and 8.45 am and Breakfast Club will be open from 7.45 am as usual.

#### **Celebrations**

Today saw a lovely end to the month – our last Superstar Assembly of 2021. The parents of the children named below have already had a letter, telling them that their child has been noticed for going above and beyond in all that they do and they are now able to choose a book with their parents, which we will buy for them.

This is to say a huge THANK YOU and WELL DONE for all that our Superstars do, from everyone at school.

Class	Superstar
Mousehole	Maple
Godrevy	Ted
Longships	Maks
Pendeen	Louis
Carne	Austin
Gwithian	Lottie
Lamorna	Mason
Allen	lylah
Kenwyn	Autumn
Truro	Maggie

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#### **Covid Advice**

Thank you so much for keeping your child off school if they have any symptoms of Covid and for PCR testing when needed. As far as we know just now, we will continue with the same school arrangements in January.

## What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 at any time, however mild, the child must self-isolate along with any other household member who does not meet the exemption criteria. Book a PCR test for the person with symptoms (even if they have already taken a test).

## Symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- A new, continuous cough, and/or
- A temperature, and/or
- A loss of, or change to, sense of test and/or smell.

You can book a test through <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test">https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test</a> or by calling 119. You can also book a PCR test if you have other symptoms which could be COVID, but are not the main three symptoms (e.g., sore throat, runny nose, fatigue, headache, sickness). Whilst you should stay away from the setting if you are ill, you are not required to self-isolate unless you have one of the main three symptoms or the test result comes back positive. If the test is negative, your child can return to school setting once they are well and have been fever free (without the support of paracetamol or Calpol) for at least 24 hours.

### **Bag2School Advanced Notice**

Help us raise money for school and help the environment at the same time by collecting good quality clothing, bringing it to school on Friday 21st January 2022 by 9.00 am and Bag2School will buy it from us. Thank you.



## It's Good to Grow

Thank you for supporting our school by shopping at Morrisons. Your generosity has meant that we have had 2286 tokens to spend, and we have used these to buy some small wheelbarrows, garden tools and seeds. We can't wait for them to be delivered!



#### **Communications**

Remember to use the email <a href="hello@mounthawke.org">hello@mounthawke.org</a> or phone 01209 890230 if you need to speak to one of us, let us know about something or share something with us. Even though we can't have a conversation at the classroom door or in the playground, we are still available. Miss Biddick is usually on the gate every morning and afternoon too.

All of us here at school would like to wish you a very happy and joyful Christmas.









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