

# Culworth CofE Primary Academy

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## Upcoming Events

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March – End of term  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – start of term 5

Teacher Training Days this year are as follows:  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

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It has been a real joy to see the children back in school this week. They were all buzzing with excitement on Monday and delighted to see their friends again. They've quickly settled back into routine and it's hard to believe the majority of them have been away for so long!

We do need to continue to stick to a robust hand-washing regime which means children are asked to wash their hands on arrival in school, before meals, after the toilet and after playtime. We have a moisturizing soap in school but if your child's hands are getting dry or sore please feel free to send in a cream to help with this. We can't allow children to share cream though for obvious hygiene reasons.

Now we are all back in school please can we ask that you return to the usual way of contacting teachers now – via the office at [culworthadmin@cb-cepa.org](mailto:culworthadmin@cb-cepa.org) rather than direct e-mail.

### Red Nose Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March

We have a new easier, Covid safe way to donate now which means you don't need to send cash in with your child any more. Just go to the Parentmail app and you can donate quickly and easily online!



Don't forget the 'Crazy hair' with optional face paint for the 19<sup>th</sup> – feel free to join in too, or maybe just go 'Crazy mask'! Go wild with wacky colours, wigs, whatever takes your fancy. Please send children in school uniform though. Please donate via Parentmail app to Comic Relief – thank you.



### Head Teacher Awards

The winner of the Headteacher's outstanding effort with school work has been awarded to Olivia for her very impressive artwork with Mrs Taylor. Great work Olivia! The Headteacher's reading award goes to Isaac who has been doing some fantastic reading and challenging himself to read some tricky books. Well done!

Your postcard will be waiting for you at the next celebration assembly.

Our value this term is:

**Forgiveness**

**'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others.'**

**Colossians 3.13**

## Reminders

**Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs** are up running next week as of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Please book online via the Parentmail app.

## Lunches

Don't forget to order lunches via School Grid in the normal way.

## Free School Meals

Are you eligible to claim free hot dinners for you child? Find out at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals/northamptonshire>

## Asymptomatic testing information for parents and adults in households with children at school or college

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week, that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access **regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing**.

Test kits can either be collected or ordered online, as set out below. You should not give test kits to parents, carers or household members and should not order more test kits for this purpose. Secondary school and college students will continue to access testing through their school or college.

Please share the information below with your parent networks to help answer any questions they may have.

Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are **different ways** for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site – anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online – please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

**Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.**

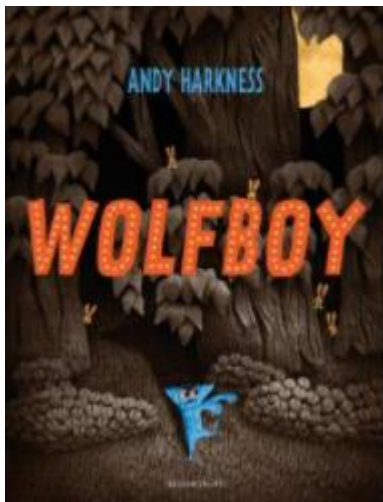
Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.

**Coronavirus Prevention Measures.** Along with enhanced hand cleaning, promoting good respiratory hygiene and keeping children in year group bubbles, government guidance on reopening schools states that to help prevent the transmission of Covid-19 contact with individuals who are unwell must be minimised by ensuring that those who have coronavirus symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school. In line with this guidance, schools are now required to send any child presenting with coronavirus symptoms home. We also ask for your support in following this guidance by ensuring that if your child or anyone in the household has symptoms or a positive test result you follow government guidance on household isolation. It is also important for anyone returning home from a country that is on the quarantine list to follow the guidelines including keeping children off school for the specified time.

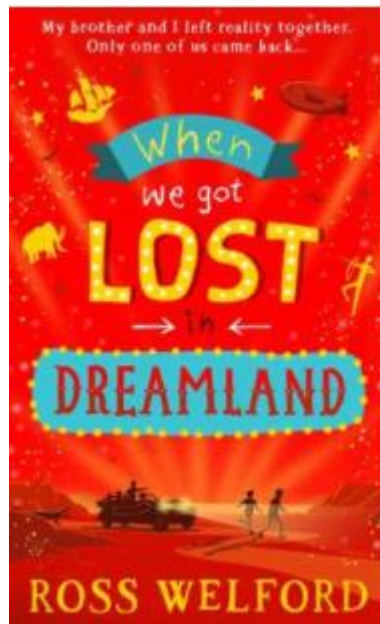
## Helplines

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 or [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)  
Childline: 08001111  
National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0808 2000 247  
Women's aid: [womensaid.org.uk](http://womensaid.org.uk)  
Mind: 0300 123 3393 or [mind.org.uk](http://mind.org.uk)  
Coronavirus helpline: 0800 028 2816

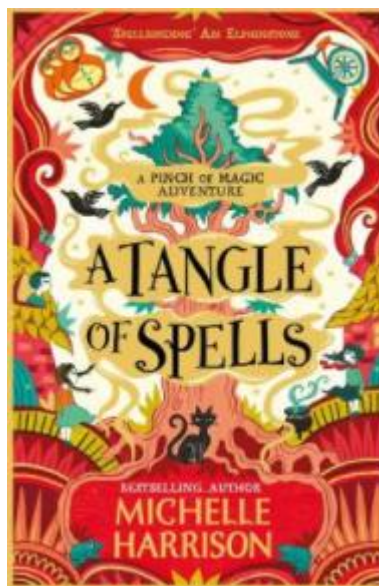
Mrs Stephens's recommended reads....



Key Stage 1: Want to tackle those 'big' feelings that come with hunger? This lovely picture book will help those discussions and even might even make it easier to understand at all ages!



Upper KS2: Ross Welford is always a favourite in school. We love his writing and can easily get lost in his stories. This story shifts from the past to future in time, in a very clever manner. He even manages to get some humour in there too!



Lower Key Stage 2 – This is the third in the series (you can start reading from this one!) based on a magical and mysterious tale. There are three sisters and an added (little) bit of spookiness to make the story fizz with adventure.

