



Dear Parents and Carers

So there we are; the first week of Academic Year 2021 completed. Students returned in a heatwave but proudly maintained our high standards expected of uniform.

A box has appeared in Reception for staff to nominate students who have gone 'above and beyond' in some way for someone in the school. All names will go into a Raffle, the winner of which will receive a voucher. Our first draw takes place on Monday and the other nominees will be shown on a noticeboard. We want to encourage 'random acts of kindness' within our community and hope very much that this will catch on.

We are keen to get some feedback from parents about how you think we can make further improvements to our communications with families, so that we can build strong relationships with our parents, students and staff. We will be sending out invites to parents in the near future to join us on Teams for small group meetings to discuss the issues you feel are important.

Please spend a little time reading our Home-School Agreement with your child/ren, and both sign the agreement. It can be found in the Student Planner. This will help children to be clear about the expectations you and the school have for them and is key to the partnership we have with our families.

Covid Update

Thanks to the success of home testing, a number of students were kept at home with positive tests and we are grateful to parents for continuing to encourage their children to regularly test (twice a week). This is an important strategy for keeping the school open and staff and students safe. **Please read this [additional letter with further details of the new guidelines](#) surrounding Covid-19.**

Visitors in School / forgotten items

As mentioned in last week's letter to parents we only allow visitors on site by prior arrangement. If your child has forgotten an item/kit/equipment please contact Reception. We want to try to encourage students to be more organised and more self-reliant. Learning by error is all part of this process.

Extra-Curricular Programme

We are currently putting together our extra-curricular offer for the term/year and details will be released shortly. Parents will need to book after-school activities on the School Cloud/Parents Evening Booking System, more information to follow. Meanwhile, the after school Study Club (in the Library) has started and is also bookable on the [School Cloud/Parents' Evening Booking System](#).

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Message from the Families and Communities Team at West Suffolk Council

Volunteers needed for SEND Parent Carer Forum

COULD YOU HELP US IMPROVE SEND SERVICES IN SUFFOLK?

We are looking for a group of parents and carers who would be willing to work with us to ensure that we continue to co-produce services that deliver better outcomes for children and young people with SEND and their families.

What we need:

- Parent/carers who can attend one-off meetings (in-person or virtual) to give their feedback on specific initiatives
- Parent/carers who can attend longer term project meetings to help develop and improve our services and processes
- Parent/carers who would be willing to read and give feedback on proposed publications, webpages etc

If you would be interested in finding out more, please email us localoffer@suffolk.gov.uk , alternatively if you are happy to register please complete the form available [Here](#), and we will let you know the projects coming up that we are looking for volunteers on.

Thank you