
KS2

3.9.2020

INFORMATION FOR KEY STAGE TWO, WOODLAND HEIGHTS

Spring is here

Spring is officially here and we even saw the sun today. No indoor wet break times today... Now **that** is something worth celebrating!

In keeping with the Spring theme and **fresh starts**, we're looking forward to welcoming all our students back every day in Term 4!



Please complete the survey in the main newsletter to let us know whether or not your child will be attending school in person next term.



To start preparations for slight changes in routines, the **morning health check will look a little different** from next week. The procedure may evolve a little over the next few weeks, but next week this is what you can expect for KS2:

- Temperature will **not** be taken while students are in the car.
- Children will walk to their usual entrance (KS2 entrance; library if raining)
- Temperature reading and recording as well as sanitising will all take place at that entrance.

KS2 DATES

Second half term: **11 August - 18 September 2020**

Daily in T3: Childcare for KS2 children on non-school days.
Please let school know in advance if your child will attend.

Fri 4 Aug: Bookings for Parent-Teacher meetings close

Tues 8 & Wed 9 September:
Year 7 2020 Parent Info evening for current Year 6 parents.
More information from Ms Kolesky and Mr James.

14-17 September: Parent-teacher meetings (Zoom) 14:30-17:00

17/18 Sept: All school-owned iPads to be returned on your last day of Term3.
If you have a school iPad at home please drop it off at reception by the morning of 18 Sept.

Term 4 start date:
Thursday 1 October

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

In the last week of this term we will hold Parent-Teacher meetings. These will be 15-minute Zoom appointments. The booking calendar was opened last week Friday and will close tomorrow (Friday 4th September) at midday.

The booking calendar is found on the **Parent Portal web version** (not the app).

To book an appointment with your child's class teacher, please log in to the Parent Portal and click on the 'Students' tab:



Select the 'Parent/Teacher Appointments' option:

[Report Card](#) | [Timetable](#) | [Parent M](#)
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Book your chosen meeting time.

If you have any issues with Ed Admin please contact Ms Langtry on n.langtry@isct.co.za.

ASSESSMENTS

During the course of the term, class teachers will be setting short assessments to be completed during lesson times.

Whether learning from home or coming in to school, children must complete these activities independently at the timetabled time.

These are not tests to revise for and should not be approached as something scary or stressful. With the varying levels of parental support at home, online engagement, and physical class attendance over the past few months, these assessments will help us to have a much clearer picture of what children are able to do **independently**. This will help to inform the teaching and learning going forward into Term 4.

All KS2 children need:

- a medium-sized labelled container for creativity resources

To fit small items such as pastels, chalks, crayons (provided by school).

- a set of headphones
- a labelled ziplock bag for storing a small cloth.

Cloth provided by school.

You can find more KS2 information and links to previous newsletters on the [school website](#).

It is important that we know the number of children who will be in school/online each day.

Please let the class teacher know of any changes in your child's attendance (in person or via video).

Don't forget to send photos of home learning and educational adventures to k.lighton@isct.co.za

WORKING FROM HOME

The work to be completed via Google Classroom on non-school days is either a continuation/completion of the work in the lesson or contributes to the coverage of learning objectives for the year. It is important that work is completed by the due date so that your child can continue with the next lessons at school on their school days. Children who regularly do not hand in their work by the due date (without a valid reason) will have to finish off their work during break times if necessary.

Just as with our homework expectations in the past, we need to hear from parents if there is a valid reason for work not being handed in on time.

If your child is finding it difficult to get work done on non-school days, consider making us of our supervision facility. See below:

SUPERVISION FOR NON-SCHOOL DAYS

Until the end of Term 3, KS2 children can attend the supervision/ childcare facility for KS2 children on their non-school day (NSD). This runs at St John's Church hall, nearby in St John's Road (near Springfield Convent). We meet at Woodland Heights loggia after the normal temperature check and recording. Children can wear civvies and must bring their work for the day and their own games/books/stationery/activities.

The children who attend have a timetable for working on their Google Classroom assignments, independent quiet activities, and outdoor games and exercise.

Please see the website for more details.

If you would like your child to attend please contact Mrs Neethling (s.neethling@isct.co.za).

TIMETABLE

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| Arrival at school: 7:30-7:50 | | | | Registration 7:50 | | Lesson 1 8:00 | | | | |
| Lessons end 14:00 | | | | Car park pick-up 14:10 Y3 & Y6 / 14:15 Y4 & Y5 | | | | | | |
| Date | * Mon 24 Mon 7 | Tues 11 Tues 25 Tues 8 | Wed 12 Wed 26 Wed 9 | Thurs 13 Thurs 27 Thurs 10 | Fri 14 Fri 28 Fri 11 | Mon 17 Mon 31 Mon 14 | Tues 18 Tues 1 Tues 15 | Wed 19 Wed 2 Wed 16 | Thurs 20 Thurs 3 Thurs 17 | Fri 21 Fri 4 Fri 18 |
| Group at school / live video | A | B | A | B | A | B | A | B | A | B |

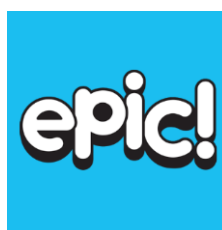
READING APPS

We're happy to see that there has been an increase in the number of children using our Snapplify digital library. The apps are free (and already loaded on school iPads).

1. Browse the library and choose a book to read.
2. Then use the Reader app to read your chosen book.



Snapplify.com



We also have lots of children reading using the Epic! app. The app is free and the **books that teachers**

assign to children are free, but any parent/children book choices that are **not set by the class teacher** are limited. *Parents, pay attention to what you're clicking – don't click to subscribe unless you would like to pay for this subscription.*