

Friday 8th October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We have all enjoyed Apple Week. Children have picked apples, pressed apples, drunk apple juice, and generally had a great time enjoying the outdoors and the benefits that our wonderful school site affords. Some children are still having their turn today; pictures of the activities will be available next week in our newsletter.

We have had many children off with colds this week and, where Covid symptoms have been present, parents have taken their children for PCR tests. I am pleased to be able to report that all tests have come back negative, which is re-assuring. Rates in Devon are now coming down and are again below the national average. We are also out of the Enhanced Response Area. We are keeping our risk assessment pretty much as is, though, always taking care to maintain high levels of hygiene and ventilation.

With this letter I have included a letter from Steve Brown & Dawn Stabb: leads for Devon health and education. It includes information about some of the changes head teachers have had to adapt to since August 16th. As always if you have any further question please contact myself or a member of SLT at school.

If your child is poorly, please ring reception to let us know each morning, rather than emailing teachers. You should also let school transport know.

Many of our children had flu and Covid immunisations in school yesterday, and the day went as smoothly as it could have done, given the natural anxiety that many of us have.

For those parents who are not aware, we have a new school nurse, Clare Zwimba. Clare can be contacted at schoolnurse@millwater.devon.sch.uk or on the school telephone number.

Yours sincerely



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