



Dormice Newsletter - January 2022

Dates for this half term



Wednesday 5th January - children return for spring term

Saturday 15th January - deadline to apply for a primary school place

Week beginning 21st February - half term

We will let you know any other dates as the term progresses.

Applying for a primary school place



You must apply for a primary school place for your child before the closing date of 15th January 2022. Main school places are separate from nursery places, so just because your child is in our nursery does not guarantee them a place in the main school. Applications are made via Suffolk County Council, details of how to apply can be found here: [Apply for a primary school place 2022/2023 | Suffolk County Council](#)

**If your child was born between
1 September 2017 and
31 August 2018,
you must apply for a full-time
school place by
15 January 2022**



You must make an application even if your child already has a place in a nursery class, pre-school or children's centre

To apply for a place or for more information you can visit:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions

Information is also available from:

• The Admissions Team on 0345 600 9981

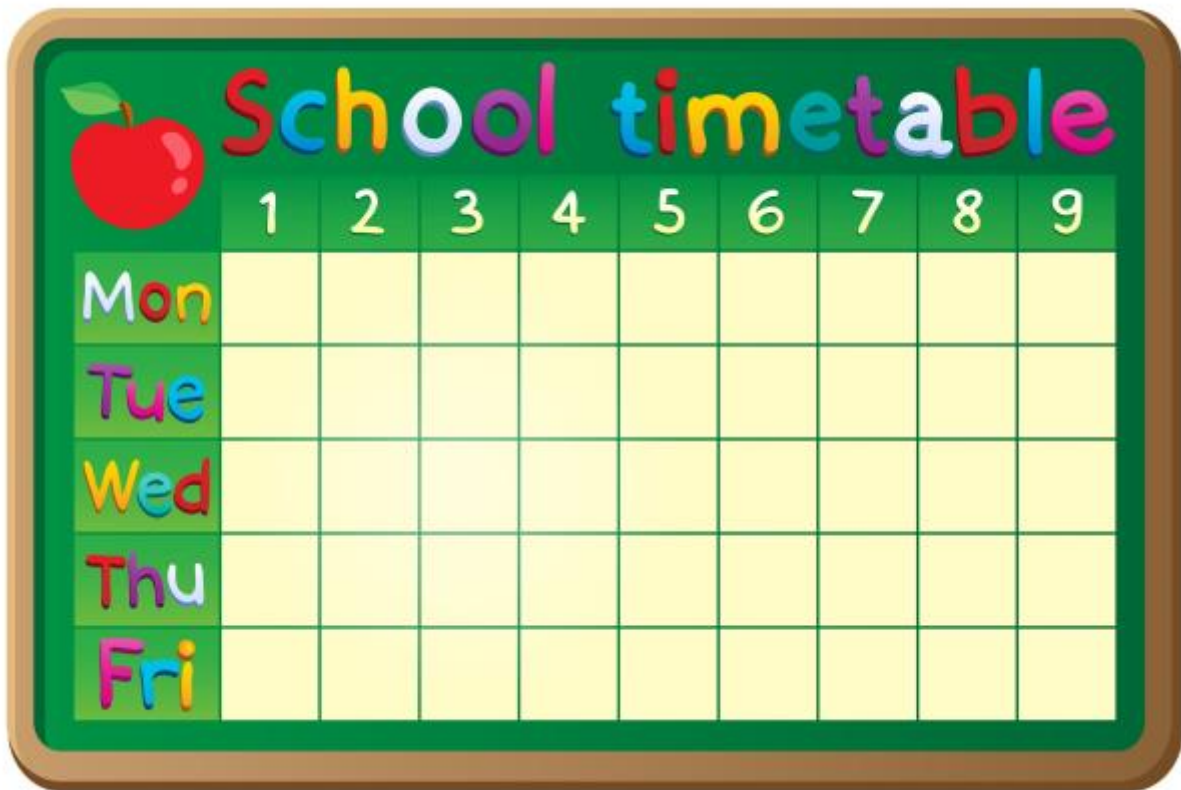
• Your local school

Covid and focus child meetings



This term we will be continuing to offer phone calls following each child's focus week, details of which will be on the sheet which your child will bring home. If the situation changes and we are able to go back to face-to-face meetings we will let you know.

Changes to our timetable



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Mon									
Tue									
Wed									
Thu									
Fri									

This term we have had to make a few changes to our timetable. Mrs Curry will be with us on Monday and Tuesday mornings, plus some lunchtimes. Miss Reeve will not be in class on Friday afternoons, when the Dormice will join with the Fieldmice. Forest Fridays will move to the morning session. We will continue to go out to the forest in all weathers, so please can we ask that you make sure your child has some spare socks / tights available in case they need them. We will get them to wear a wetsuit and wellies, but please feel free to dress them in warm clothes and bring hats and gloves if you think they would benefit from them.

Talk4Writing and rhyme time



300 DPI

12 INCHES

PNG FILES

TRANSPARENT BACKGROUND

This half term our story is 'the three little pigs'.

For rhyme time some of the songs are related to the story. To see the rhymes click here:

<https://padlet.com/suzreeve/ag3mn9gm74spvvt5>

Request!

recycled soda bottle flowers !!!!



creativejewishmom.com

A reminder that this term the whole school are going to use recycled materials to make some flowers for a display. If you are able collect and bring in any of the items in the picture we would be most grateful!

Materials to Recycle



Crisp packets



Carrier bags (as colourful as possible)



Yoghurt pots



Plastic bottles



Sweet wrappers



Old CDs



Plastic pegs

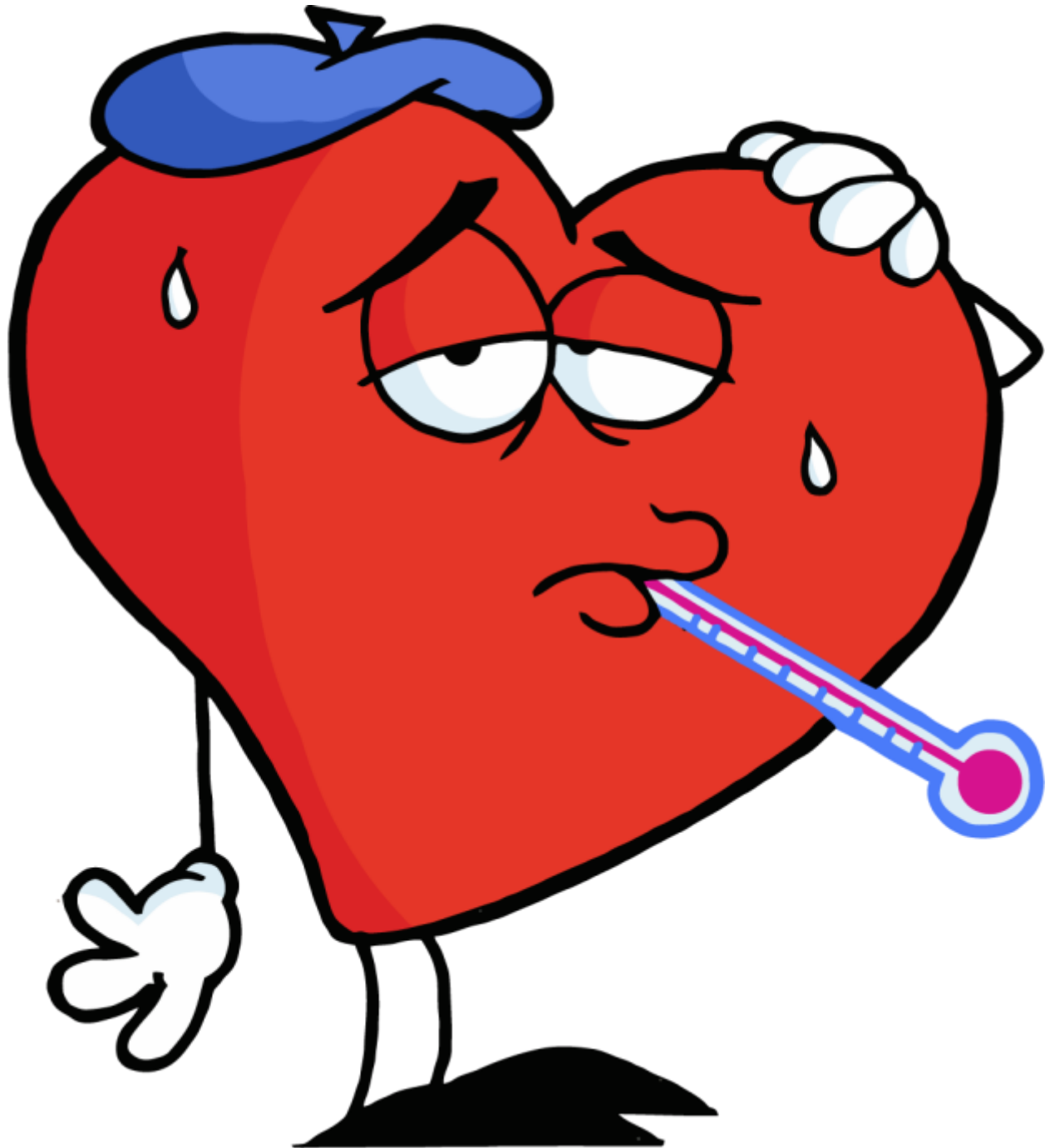
Library books



If your child has not returned their book since November you will have received a slip reminding you of the book they were issued.

If you are unable to find your child's book, or think they don't have one, please let us know and we will issue them with a new one. We know that accidents happen, so if a library book gets damaged please let us know.

Absence



If your child is unwell and will not be attending a session please ring the absence line on 01787 280143, stating your child's name, class and the reason they will not be in. Please note that these messages do not always reach the classroom on the day you ring, so you are also welcome to message us on ClassDojo.

If your child will not be attending their normal sessions for any other reason we would be grateful if you could let us know.

General reminders



- We go outside whatever the weather, so please make sure your child has suitable items to wear (coat, hat, gloves, etc.).
- Please ensure footwear is safe for all activities, including climbing and riding bikes.
- We are a nut-free school, so please check items in your child's packed lunch carefully.
- If your child is having grapes in their lunchbox please cut these in half lengthways.
- If you need one-off additional sessions for your child please contact us - these are charged privately and must be paid for before the session. We will check availability and let you know if we can accommodate your request.
- If you have any queries regarding fees or funding please contact the office.