BISHOP SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 11th September 2020

October

23 Last Day of Term 1
November
02 Inset Day
03 Start of Term 2 for the children

Don't forget all the dates are on the website.

School News

*IMPORTANT*Tik Tok

We have been made aware of an inappropriate video which is currently circulating on Tik Tok and other popular social media apps/websites.

Despite the age restriction for accounts on most of these platforms meaning children under 13 should not have an account, we are aware that some of our children access them regularly.

Please check your children's devices and ensure that you speak to them about what they should do if they come across inappropriate content or videos that worry/scare them.

We would advise that no child under 13 years old has access to sites and apps which are age-restricted to 13+.

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For more information: <u>https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/tiktok/</u>

Update from Mr Marriott

Dear parents and carers,

It has been such a delight for all the staff to have the children back in school and they have returned (and started!) school in a very positive way. We have worked hard to make sure that we have a robust Risk Assessment in place to ensure everyone's safety but also to minimise disruption to the start and end of the school day.

A few quick reminders:

- Top Gate - enter on the left of the cone, leave on the left of the cone

- Bottom Gate - if you have a school child with you, use the zig zag path (for safety reasons near the busy road). Please remember that the one way system changes direction in the morning and afternoon.

- Only one adult is allowed on site to drop off and collect the children.

- If you have a query or concern please try to email or phone the office and teachers will be happy to contact you. Please only speak to class teachers at drop off/pick up if it is an urgent issue, maintaining social distancing.

- Please do not stay in the playground to socialise with other parents - I know it's tempting but we have a responsibility to minimise gatherings of adults. Children should also not be running around at drop off/pick up so please try to keep them with you.

- Please leave the site as soon as possible after drop off - there is a danger that the 'flow' of parents around the site can blocked, particularly outside Ducklings and by the field fence.

Some quick points to make about some of the changes this term:

• To help with ventilation, the windows and doors are open. Please could you make sure that the children have a jumper or cardigan as it may get a little bit cooler soon!



• For Wrens, Swans, Swallows and Kingfishers, please send your child in with a healthy snack at playtime, preferably fruit (Ducklings, Cygnets and Herons have a fruit snack supplied now the system is running again) and everyone should have water in a named water bottle

 \cdot Assemblies begin again soon but will be on Microsoft teams

The guide below should be a helpful reference for what to do in the event of suspected coronavirus symptoms in your families but if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact school. We are all still learning about what exactly needs to happen in all different scenarios so we thank you for your understanding and patience.

What to do if	Action needed	Return to school when
my child has coronavirus symptoms	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate Get a test Inform school immediately about test result	the test comes back negative.
my child tests positive for coronavirus	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate for at least10 days Inform school immediately about test result	they feel better. They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
somebody in my household has coronavirus symptoms	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate Household member to get a test Inform school immediately about test result	the household member test is negative.
somebody in my household has tested positive for coronavirus	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate for 14 days	the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation
NHS test and trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed coronavirus	Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate for 14 days	the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation
we/my child travelled and has to self-isolate a part of a period of quarantine	Avoid unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Provide information to school as per attendance policy <u>Returning from a destination where</u> <u>quarantine is needed:</u> Do not come to school Contact school daily Self-isolate for 14 days	the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed
we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	Do not come to school Contact school as required by the pastoral team Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shieling is paused again	school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.

What if my child has common cold symptoms?

The main symptoms of C19 are:

1. High temperature – NHS sites tend to mention both 37.8C and 38C but they also say, "this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)"

2. New continuous cough (this tends to be a dry cough rather than productive/chesty like with a cold)

3. Loss of taste/smell

The main symptoms of common cold are:

- 1. Nasal discharge or nasal obstruction
- 2. Sore throat
- 3. General malaise
- 4. Chesty cough

However, if any of the 3 main C19 symptoms are present, the child needs a test, and if a child is unwell enough to have a significant fever (i.e. above 37.8C) with associated malaise, even if associated with common cold symptoms only, the child needs to be away from school anyway.

We know that as a school our threshold for tolerating minor 'conditions' will be lower as we err on the side of caution, especially now as cases of C19 nationally are beginning to rise, so we thank you for your understanding with this to ensure everyone's safety and well-being.

Face Masks

Please remember to wear a facemask in the school reception area, as this is a public space.

Our School Rule

We always do our best to be kind, be safe and be responsible is our new single school rule. This is hopefully easy for everyone to remember and covers in an easy to remember way what we are trying to achieve through our school values. We will be exploring what it means to be kind, be safe and be responsible over the term.

Curriculum newsletters will be distributed early next week detailing the variety of learning your child complete this term so please keep an eye out for them.

I'd like to thank everyone who have sent in messages of support over the first few days back. There have been lots of changes for the children and staff to get used to. Staff are being asked to do many more break and lunchtime duties to ensure we keep our community safe so I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work already. I'd also like to encourage you to contact us at school straight away if there's something you feel is not right and give us an opportunity to explain or improve what we're doing. A quick phone call or email can quickly prevent an issue escalating and myself or Mr Cook will always endeavour to be available at drop off or pick up for urgent queries.

Andy Marriott Deputy Head Teacher

Message from the SENCo (Pauline Adams)

(Please be aware that my usual working days are alternate Wednesdays and every Thursday.)

To ensure that we can offer appropriate support in school, please can parents and carers provide us with upto-date information regarding any support a child may be receiving outside school, such as ...

Clinic appointments ...

If your child is receiving support outside school from a Paediatrician, Speech Therapist etc, <u>please do make us</u> <u>aware of this by email</u>, and check with the health professional that the school is being copied into any letters - this isn't always the case and the information is very useful!

This is particularly important for our new families, if your child has received this support while at preschool or another setting.

Medication ...

If your child is being prescribed <u>long term medication</u> (perhaps relating to ADHD for example), again <u>please do</u> <u>let us know by email</u>, even if this is given at home. If this needs to be given in school we will need a copy of the letter from the medical professional involved. Please also speak to Mrs Dimmock in the school office, and they will ask you to fill out the necessary paperwork re administration.

If you think there is any other information we should be aware of, please do send an email to the school office, and it will be passed on to the relevant staff.

Many thanks

Pauline Adams (SENCO)

Bishop Sutton & Stanton Drew Primary Schools (Please be aware that my usual working days are Wednesdays and Thursdays.)

Term Dates for the Academic Year	2020/21
Inset Day	Tuesday 1/09/2020
Term 1	Wednesday 2/9/2020 – Friday 23/10/ 2020
Half Term Holiday	Monday 26/10/2020 – Friday 30/10/2020
Inset Day	Monday 2/11/2020
Term 2	Tuesday 3/11/2020 – Friday 18/12/2020
Christmas Holiday	Monday 21/12/2020 – Friday 1/1/2021
Inset Day	Monday 4/1/2021
Term 3	Tuesday 5/1/2021 – Thursday 11/2/2021
Inset Day	Friday 12/2/2021
Half Term Holiday	Monday 15/2/2021 – Friday 19/2/2021
Inset Day	Monday 22/2/2021
Inset Day	Monday 8 th March 2021
Term 4	Tuesday 23/2/2021 – Thursday 1/4/2021
Easter Holiday	Friday 2/4/2021 – Friday 16/4/2021
Term 5	Monday 19/4/2021 – Friday 28/5/2021
Half Term Holiday	Monday 31/5/2021 – Friday 4/6/2021
Term 6	Monday 7/6/2021 – Wednesday 21/7/2021

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER 21 September 2020

The newsletter is also available on our website http://bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk