BISHOP SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 9th October 2020



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- 23 Mufti Day Voluntary donation of £1
- 23 Last Day of Term 1

November

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- 03 Start of Term 2 for the children
- 04 Parent/Teacher Consultations

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

School News

Message from Mr Cook

Mrs Tucker's Wish List

Undoubtedly, one of the most important aspects to primary school is learning to read. You will have noticed the wish list that Mrs Tucker published on Classdojo earlier this week. Whilst parents may like to present these as a 'birthday book' to school, we would also welcome 'one off' donations if you have any of these books available. (We can quarantine the books before adding to the relevant class book selection).

Friday October 23rd

On the last day of term, we invite the children to come to school in mufti before the half term holiday. If children would like to dress up in Halloween costumes or mufti that would be great (nothing too scary please!) We ask for a suggested voluntary donation of £1 please. (We know that cash is not fashionable at the moment; we will provide a collection point on each gate for donations as the children come into school that day).

PTA

The BS PTA AGM meeting was held on Wednesday 7th October. I would like to say a **huge thank you** to all the members of the PTA and parents for their support over the last year. Donations to school amounted to a staggering £15500! This included donations to support visits, resources & equipment, tennis lessons, playpod, artist in residence (mosaic), IT equipment, books and much, much more. We recognise that in current times it will be very challenging to raise additional funds for the school but the committee are undeterred! Your continued support for the hard-working committee members is greatly appreciated.

Parent/Teacher Consultations

Parent/Teacher consultations will be held on Monday 2nd and Wednesday 4th November via MS Teams. More information will follow to explain the revised booking process.

Message from Mr Marriott

This week at school we are carrying out assessments with all children in Years 2 to 6 which will help us plan to support your child/children in the weeks ahead. For year 2, they are completing a phonics assessment 121 with a member of staff to help us identify gaps in phonic knowledge which can be addressed.

Year 3 and above are completing assessments which they would have taken in the summer term and then teachers are completing a detailed question level analysis to identify gaps in learning which will inform their planning. Although a score is available, the information from the analysis is much more important in order for us to help your child/children in the coming year. This information can be discussed with your child's teacher during parents' evening, dates of which to follow soon. If you have any questions or concerns about the assessments please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Play Equipment/ Assault course

The play equipment/assault course is only for use in school time under staff supervision. Please **do not** allow any children to use it before or after school. There is red and white tape around it as a reminder.

Please remember that you should be picking up children and leaving the school site as quickly as possible.

Parking at the back of the school

Please be considerate when parking at the back of the school. Please do not park across neighbours driveways and do not park by the drop curb at the entrance to the school this must be kept clear for parents to cross safely rather than having to cross between parked cars.

School Lunches

Please remember to order your child's school lunch by 9am on the day that they will take the meal. You can order all meals well in advance.

School Uniform

At the moment we do not have a lost property box. Please ensure that all school uniform is named so that we can return it to its owner.

Face Masks

Please remember to wear a facemask when entering the school site.

Flu Immunisations

On Wednesday 21st October, the Flu Immunisation Team is coming into school to immunise the children whose parents have requested it. A separate email has been sent with the link to apply for your child to have the vaccine. If you do not apply, your child will not be given the immunisation.

Visits for Reception 2021

Instead of our usual Open Day this year, we are offering socially distanced visits outside of the school day. These are for prospective parents of Reception 2021 only. The visit will include a look around the outside of the school and a chance to ask questions. Only one adult per family can sign up and we are limiting the group size to four people at a time. A facemask must be worn on the school site. No children will be allowed on site for these visits.

We are sorry if this seems stringent but we are trying to minimise risk. To book a place please either telephone the school office on 01275 332817 or email <u>bsps@bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk</u>

The dates and times for visits are: Monday 12/10 at 4pm Tuesday 13/10 at 4pm Thursday 15/10 at 4pm Because of the current restrictions, we will not be able to arrange visits outside of these times.

Help From Compassionate Community Hub and FOOD

As the number of Covid-19 cases increase across the country, Bath and North East Somerset Council have shared information regarding the **Compassionate Community Hub** as well as **FOOD (Food On Our Doorstep) Clubs** at B&NES Children's Centres.

If you need help getting food, medicine, housing or other essential items, if you're feeling isolated or concerned about physical and mental wellbeing, you can call the **Compassionate Communities Hub** on **0300 247 0050**, 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. B&NES Council, working with 3SG, Virgin Care and the NHS, have set up the Hub to give advice and support to those who need it during this time. If you need support to self-isolate please contact the number above or alternatively, the hub can be reached via email at <u>BATHNES.thehub@virgincare.co.uk</u> or by text on 07870 868368. As well as this, Bright Start Children's Centre Services, in partnership with Family Action, Fareshare and Radstock Town Council, are now running weekly **FOOD Clubs** across Bath and North East Somerset. Three clubs across the area provide local families, with children under the age of 11, a range of affordable food every week. They receive weekly produce from Fareshare who redistribute food from manufacturers to people who need it the most. The clubs can be found at the following:

- Keynsham Children Centre Weekly Thursday, 2pm-4pm 65 West View Rd, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 2UE Tel: 01225 395400
- St Martins Children Centre (Bath area) Weekly Friday, 10-12pm 150 Frome Rd, Bath, BA2 5RE Tel: 01225 396004
- Radstock Children Centre and Library Weekly Friday, 1.30pm-3.30pm Church Street, Radstock, BA3 3QG Tel: 01225 396660

COVID-19 information A quick guide for parents and carers

Please follow the advice in this guide. Only contact the school if your child is having a test and to let us know the result. Your school will not be able to advise beyond the information given here. Please remember to only get tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms.

YOU SHOULD BOOK A TEST IF YOUR CHILD HAS:

a high temperature

Or a new continuous cough Or

This means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)

This means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough it may be worse thanusual) a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste

This means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child DOES NOT have symptoms of COVID-19 but has other cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, they do not need to be tested and they or members of your household do not need to self-isolate. Your child can attend school if fit to do so.

What to do if	Action needed	When can mychild return to school?
My child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms	 Do not send your child to school Book a test for your child Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate Inform school immediatelyabout test result 	If test is negative and child is well enough, and not advised to self-isolate by test and trace service
My child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	 Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for at least 10 days from when symptoms started (orfrom day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediatelyabout test results Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14 days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) 	They can return to school after 10 days as long as they have not had a fever in the previous 48 hours. They can return 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

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Improving People's Lives

What to do if	Action needed	When can my child
Somebody in my household& support bubble has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms	 Do not send your child to school Household & support bubble member with symptoms to book a test Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate while waiting for test result 	return to school? When household & support bubble member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms and if child has not been advised to self isolate by test and trace services
Somebody in my household & support bubble has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	 Inform school immediatelyabout test results Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if they test negative during those 14days Inform school immediatelyabout test result 	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact'	 Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for 14days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace)-even if they test negative during those 14days Rest of household & support bubble does not need to self-isolate, unless they are also a 'close contact' 	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
Your child has been in contact with someone who has been identified as a 'close contact	 Attend school as normal If your child does not have any COVID-19 symptoms they should carry on with normal activities 	Attend school as normal
We / my child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate.	 Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14days –even if they test negative during those 14 days Travel reminders: 	When the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days
	 Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when bookingtravel Provide information to school as per attendance policy 	
We have received advice from a medical / official sourcethat my child must resume shielding	 Do not send your child to school. Contact school as advised by attendance officer/pastoral team Child to shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	When school / other agencies inform youthat restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again

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 19th October 2020

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