

# Bedfont Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 9th October



Dear Parents/Carers

Congratulations to Miss Miah, our Nightingale Class Year 1 teacher, who is getting married this weekend. I am sure you would like to join me in wishing the new Mr and Mrs Miah every happiness for the future.

### **Drop-off and collection times**

Please can I ask parents to try to arrive for drop off and collection on time so that we can keep everyone safe.

Nursery - Morning 8.30am - 11.30pm

Afternoon 12.30am - 3.30pm

### **Reception 8.55 - 9.05 to 2.55 - 3.15**

Year 1 8.40 - 9.00 - 3.00- 3.15      Year 4 8:50 – 3:05

Year 2 8.40 - 9.00 - 3.00- 3.15      Year 5 8:55 – 3:10

Year 3 8:45 – 3:00      Year 6 9:00 – 3:15

### **Reception Drop off and Collection times**

As you can see, Reception collection and drop off will be changing from Monday morning. This will allow us to maximise our learning opportunities in school. Parents will be allowed to drop off and return up the path between 9 - 9.05am and 2.55 - 3pm. If you cannot arrive at these times then I will have to ask you to follow the one way system.

### **Virtual Coffee Morning**

Is your child a worrier?

Does your child get nervous in new situations?

Would you like to find out more about how to support your child with areas of anxiety?

Come to our virtual coffee morning for a chat with Tabitha Colenso to tell her about your areas of concern or ask questions and find out ideas for support and ways you can help your child feel more confident. Tabitha Colenso is the Advisory Teacher for Behaviour for the school, with over a decade of experience supporting schools,

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children and families around social, emotional, behavioural well being. She is also a trained, practising Cognitive Behaviour Therapist for children and adolescents supporting around anxiety and low mood. If you have other questions or topics you would like to focus on with Tabitha, potentially on future parents coffee mornings, please let us know email the school office: [office@bedfont.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:office@bedfont.hounslow.sch.uk)

### **Secondary admissions**

It is that time of year where secondary applications need to be completed. It is vital that forms are received before the end of October. Advice and guidance is available from [www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](http://www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions) and page 5 of our 'Secondary School Transfer' brochure. I will include regular reminders over the next few weeks. If you need assistance with making your application please speak with staff and we will be happy to help you.

### **Wearing masks each day**

Thank you to all the parents for supporting us with regard to mask wearing at drop off and pick up times.

**Please respect the fact that some people are unable to wear face masks.**

### **Social distancing**

Masks are just one of the ways that we can try to keep our community safe. Social distancing is also very important. Please try to maintain your social distance when arriving and leaving school.

I would also like to remind you that where possible only one parent per-family.

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### Covid-19 related staff/pupil absence

A quick reference guide for parents.

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <p><b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> – this means they feel hot to touch on chest or back <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs <b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b> – this means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything.</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school to inform us.</p> <p>Self-isolate the <b>WHOLE</b> household while getting the symptomatic person tested. Get a test. <b>INFORM SCHOOL OF THE TEST RESULT</b></p>	<p>The test comes back negative and if the fever is gone.</p> <p>Children can return with a cough after a negative test as this can last for some time.</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid- 19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school to inform us. Patient must isolate for 10 days Quarantine the household for 14 days</p>	<p>Can return with a cough after minimum of 10 days as this symptom can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My child tests negative</p>	<p><b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day).</p>	<p>The test comes back negative.</p>

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My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	Follow school absence procedures	For sickness/diarrhoea <b>MUST</b> be clear for <b>48</b> hours before returning to school.
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> Contact school. Self-isolate the whole household until person with symptoms tests negative.	When person with symptom gets a negative test.
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> Contact school. Pupil isolates at home for 14 days.	The child has completed 14 days isolation at home, and are not displaying any symptoms themselves.
NHS test & trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with a confirmed case of Covid-19	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> Contact school. Pupil isolates at home for 14 days.	The child has completed 14 days isolation at home.
We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	Please do not travel if quarantine requirements will mean a child missing school as an unauthorised absence. Pupil isolates for 14 days from return date.	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.

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<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school.</p> <p>Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. Liaise with school re. home learning.</p>	<p>You are informed that shielding advice has been lifted and your child can return to school</p>
<p>My child's bubble is closed due to a confirmed case of Covid-19 in school.</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Support your child at home with remote learning for 14 days.</p> <p>Siblings can come to school if their bubbles remains open. Family members do not need to isolate.</p>	<p>School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened.</p>

### Post-box competition

Create your own black post-box to honour a famous Black British person who inspires you.

You could make the post-box out of a cardboard box or design it on paper.

On your post box you should include:

The name of the person who inspires you

Information about their life and achievements

The reasons why they are an inspiration to you.

**Please bring your post-boxes into school by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

### Weather

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Could remind parents that their children come prepared for the school day. This means that they must have a warm coat with a hood. We understand that many children walk to school with an umbrella. Unfortunately we do not have enough storage space to keep them safe and free of damage so please remember to take them home once you drop off your child.