



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th September 2020

Dear Parents,

We are 4 weeks into term and we continue to be really impressed with how settled and happy children are at school. At the moment, as we know you appreciate, we can't have parents into school and it's sometimes difficult to talk to school staff. You are welcome to pass on messages to staff on the doors at the start of the school day and you can email or phone the office asking for a member of staff to get in touch with you. We also have members of staff outside at the start and end of the school day and most of the time there is also a member of the leadership team there. You are welcome to talk to any of us or give us a message to pass on. We will be arranging remote learning conferences for later in the term, we need to work out how it is best logistically to do this.

We have continued to send letters to parents to let you know when a child in your child's bubble is awaiting a result of a coronavirus test and a letter to let you know when your child's bubble is clear of testing. At the moment, I thought parents would like to know, that we do not have any bubbles with children isolating awaiting a test result for themselves. So, no one symptomatic in school. That situation will inevitably change next week and I don't want to give a false confidence by sharing that.

There are various bits of information to pass on to you this week. I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Social Distancing:

As a borough, Telford and Wrekin are becoming concerned about parents not social distancing outside school gates. They have shared a video about this which you can find on our twitter feed (you can also access the twitter feed on our school website). The start and end of day is working much better at St Peter's, but I'm aware that some parents are still not social distancing, particularly once they have left school site. Schools have been told that the police will be visiting areas outside school and will fine those breaking the rule of 6

£200 each. The rule of 6 does include children. Therefore if 3 parents with 4 children between them are together as a group, you are breaking the rule of 6 and could be fined £1400 between you.

That information was shared with me at a head teacher briefing yesterday morning and I felt it important that I pass this information on to you.

I have considered if we need to impose a face mask rule for adults on school site. It is something I would rather not do, but if we need to we will introduce it.

Telford and Wrekin and the national picture:

The information we have at the moment is Telford and Wrekin as a whole is medium risk for coronavirus infection. As a borough, 5% of schools have been affected by bubble closures. In the region, between 2% and 24% of schools in each borough/council area across the West Midlands are affected by bubble closures.

Booking wrap around care:

For those of you who use wrap around care, you'll have become familiar with the online booking system now. If you are still having a problem with it, you need to let us know at the start of next week, so that we can get those problems addressed. We don't think anyone is having problems, but if you don't tell us, we don't know.

We've operated a great deal of flexibility with last minute bookings, while those problems have been ironed out. From 5th October, we are going to stick to the rule we set for the start of this year, that bookings must be made 7 days ahead. This is so we know what we are doing for staffing and give all the adults involved booking lists ahead of time. We will always try and help in a genuine emergency, but it must only be such instances that you ask us for this.

Start and end of day:

We think the start and end of day system is working well, so thank you everyone for using the new systems. I do just want to remind parents that if children arrive after 9am they are late. We have been keeping the doors open a little after 9am but want to start getting these locked up at 9am. So please do get here for then. We will also be locking the back gate onto the Silkin Way at 9am and again at 3.20pm – if you are on site after this time you will need to exit onto Squirrel Meadow.

Casual Staff:

We are looking for additional casual staff for our wrap around care team. If you are interested in joining this team and think you would have appropriate experience, qualifications and aptitudes, please get in touch with the School Business Manager – Suzanne Lees by email Suzanne.lees@taw.org.uk who can give you further information.

Reminder of office hours:

Office hours for contact by phone are 8.30am – 4.00pm. Phone calls are not answered outside of these times. The office can be contacted by email so if you need to pass on a message, (other than pupil absence) ready for the following day email is the easiest option.

There is a mobile phone for necessary contact to wrap around care and this number is 07733769491

Self-isolation:

Just as a reminder because the question has been asked. If a member of your household is displaying symptoms of coronavirus, all members of the household must isolate until a negative test result has been received.

If a member of the household is isolating because they have been contacted by track and trace or their school bubble has closed, other members of the household do not need to self-isolate (unless someone in the household develops symptoms).

Sporting Success

On Saturday, Anna and Phoebe from year 3 took part in their first Duathlon, a 200m run, 1000m cycle and a 500m run. Both girls did brilliantly and really enjoyed the event despite being a bit nervous to start with. They completed the course in 10:26 (Phoebe) and 10:59 (Anna).





Well done Anna and Phoebe!!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Friday 9 th October	Christmas Cards for schools deadline
Monday 26 th October	Half term
Monday 2 nd November	School reopens after half term
w/c Monday 2 nd November	Harvest Festival Celebrations in school
Monday 2 nd November to Friday 6 th November	Operation Christmas Child Donations into school
Friday 18 th December	End of Autumn Term
Monday 21 st December to Friday 1 st January	Christmas Holidays
Monday 4 th January	Spring term starts