



Encouraging self-isolation to prevent the spread of Covid-19

Self-isolation is a key part of the UK strategy to prevent the spread of Covid-19 by people who are symptomatic and have tested positive, and for those who are at risk of developing Covid-19 due to having had close contact with someone with symptoms or a positive test.

What is self-isolation?

Self-isolation means that you cannot leave your home because you have or might have coronavirus (COVID-19).

X if you child is self-isolating do not bring your son/daughter onto school grounds when collecting/dropping off siblings.

X do not visit family or friends or have visitors to your home (except for people providing essential care)

X do not go to any shops or supermarkets – order food and medicine online

X do not go out to exercise or walk your dog – exercise at home or in your garden

X do not go to work, university, college or school - work from home if you can

X do not use public transport, taxis or share a car

X do not attend parties or other events, even if these are outside

Other things to remember

As a school we want to help reduce the spread of Covid-19 within the community and we encourage you all to follow the guidelines put into place for everyone's protection, please remember the following;

- . Wear a mask when collecting/dropping your child/children at school**
- . children must remain by your side whilst waiting on the school grounds, this ensures 'bubbles' are not mixing**
- . household mixing is not allowed during lockdown 2.0, therefore please remember social distancing rules when walking too and from school and when waiting on the school grounds.**

Communication Review

We are currently reviewing and updating all forms of communication and trying to ensure school news is received by everyone. At the moment all correspondence goes to the 1st contact on our database. Please can you email the school office with the email of the 2nd person who has parental responsibility so that our records can be updated. Please send these emails to office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk

Parents Evenings

You will shortly be receiving an email to invite you to a 'remote parents' evening via telephone sometime between the 23rd November 2020 and 11th December 2020. We will use the email contacts that have been given to class teachers in order to set up a day/time.

If you do not receive emails from the class teacher (for example if you and your partner are no longer together and only your partner has emails sent) and are concerned that you will not be given a telephone appointment, could we ask that you contact your child's class Teacher using the email below so that they can add you to the list.

Teacher Emails

Early Years (Nursery & Reception)		
Key Stage leader	Mrs J Haynes	jhaynes@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Nursery	General / office	nursery@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Hungry Caterpillars	Mrs J Walker	jwalker@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Elmer's	Miss M Hinton	mhinton@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Reception		
Dodd	Mrs K Trow	ktrow@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Inkpen	Mrs L Tench	atench@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
	Mrs J Haynes	jhaynes@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Key Stage 1		
Key Stage Leader	Mr W Pritchard	wpritchard@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Butterworth Year 1	Miss E Ward	eward@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Donaldson Year 1	Mrs K Field	cfield@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
	Mrs R Walter	rwalter@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Bond Year 2	Mr W Pritchard	wpritchard@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Milne Year 2	Mr J Morris	jmorris@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Lower Key Stage 2		
Key Stage Leader	Mrs M Hares	mhares@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Wilson Year 3	Mrs S Page	spage@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Dahl Year 3	Miss K Stevens	kstevens@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Blyton Year 4	Mrs M Hares	mhares@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
	Mrs J Bennett (SENCO)	jbennett@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Morpurgo Year 4	Mr W Fallows	wfallows@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Upper Key Stage 2		
Key Stage Leader	Miss A Bradley	abradley@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Lewis Year 5	Miss C Jones	cjones@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Rowling Year 5	Mr S Cottrill	scottrill@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Blackman Year 6	Miss S Woodward	swoodward@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
Walliams Year 6	Miss A Bradley	abradley@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk
	Mrs J Jones	jjones@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk



Congratulations to all of the children in Walliams class who've worked together to come top of the BPS classes in Rock Out 2020. They came 1,452nd in the world, which isn't bad when over 27,000 classes took part! Congratulations to Archie from Walliams who took the top spot, followed by James from Rowling and Ronnie from Blackman. We'll be setting up some new inter-bubble Rock Battles again soon, so watch this space!



BPS 'Eco' Committee

November 2020

Our School 'Eco' Council are inviting you to take part in a competition to create a new ECO CODE poster.

Our last Eco Code poster was designed a few years ago by Leo S, who is now in Y7. It would be lovely to have brand new Eco Code poster that will displayed around the school to tell everyone what is important to BPS

What is an ECO CODE?

The Eco-Code is our mission statement. It should demonstrate, in a clear and imaginative way, our school's core values and commitment towards improving our environmental performance and striving towards a sustainable future.

BPS's Eco Code design needs to contain the following information:

BPS shows respects to our environment and appreciate our world.

Encourage plastic free lunches!

We reduce, reuse and recycle our waste.

Do switch off lights and turn off taps – be energy wise!

Litter needs to be put in the correct bin.

Eat healthily and get active!

You can all help BPS be the best Eco-friendly school!

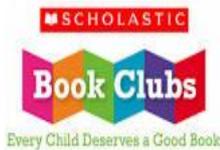
Competition details:

- By the end of term (Friday 18th December), create an ECO CODE.
- It can be created either using pen & paper, or on the computer.
- It must include all the points in the box above! · Either hand it to your teacher or email it to swoodward@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk before Friday 18th December
- The School Eco Council will meet on zoom to select a winner which will be used as our School ECO CODE.



Mondays – Year 1
Tuesdays – Reception
Wednesdays – Elmer’s Nursery
Fridays – Year 2

On the day your child has Forest School, they must come to school in Forest School kit. They must be wearing long sleeves and trousers. No leggings and no jeans. Multiple layers are better than a single thick jumper.



Our new **Scholastic Book Club** is up and running! Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/bewdley-primary/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month’s Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your **order online by November 27th, 2020**.



Tyler (Dodd) for always coming into school with a smile and putting 100% effort into everything he does. A great role model for his friends.

Jacob (Inkpen) for a brilliant start to his guided reading. Being so confident and enthusiastic.

Caelan (Butterworth) for being so enthusiastic with your learning in phonics. Miss Ward, Mrs Field and Mrs Walter are all so proud of you!

Isla (Donaldson) for her enthusiastic approach to everything and continuing her learning at home too. We love the Diwali candles.

Ruadhan (Bond) for being a fabulous part of our class. Your reading, writing and numeracy are all amazing.

Elizabeth (Milne) for always pushing herself and striving for success!

Bella (Wilson) for her very creative work on bones- fabulous work Bella!

Quinn (Dahl) for coming back to school ready to learn with a great positive mind set.

Isabella (Blyton) for making the effort to be the best she can be in all areas and setting a super example to others.

Izzy (Morpurgo) for being overall brilliant and taking charge when working with others. You’re a superstar!

Daniel (Lewis) for creating an amazing PowerPoint presentation all about your chosen material!

Feronia (Rowling) for using her initiative and getting straight on with home learning before being set any tasks!

James (Walliams) for working so hard in Numeracy despite finding it difficult. He has sought the help he has needed and eventually was able to explain the work to the rest of his group - Brilliant job James

Evie (Blackman) for always being fabulous in everything she does but especially for her confident and much improved basketball skills!



Spelling Shed Results

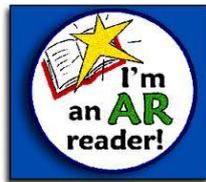
Well done to all those who have been on Spelling Shed this week!

Winning class

Rowling

Top Five Spellers

- 1st – **James** from Rowling
- 2nd – **Harry** from Milne
- 3rd – **Rafe** from Walliams
- 4th – **Josh** from Lewis
- 5th – **Cayden** from Bond



Accelerated Reader Results

Class of the week

Morpurgo are at the top of the leader board this week with 96% success rate!

This week's most improved class is Morpurgo who have increased their success rate by 11%!

Well done to the children who have taken quizzes this week and have been successful.

Advice on informal childcare bubbles

A question that has been raised recently has been the provision of informal after school care (***not after school/wraparound care or registered childminders***). During the period of national restrictions there are limitations on households mixing to reduce the transmission of coronavirus. The only situation where children may visit households other than their own are:

- Where parents have formed a childcare bubble with another household for the purposes of informal childcare, where the child is 13 or under - this needs to be consistent throughout the time of national restriction; or
- Where a household has formed a support bubble, which allows a single adult household to join another household.
- If eligible, families can form one childcare bubble and one support bubble with different households. However, they must not meet socially with the support bubble and childcare bubble at the same time.

Childcare bubbles must be used exclusively for the purposes of childcare. This would include walking another child to their home. The childcare bubble arrangement cannot be changed once agreed. All adults in the household must agree to the childcare bubble arrangement. In practical terms this means that children may not visit friends' houses for play or meals after school unless there is a childcare bubble which has been agreed between all adults in the household.

Read guidance on making a childcare bubble with another household:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-childcare-bubble-with-another-household#what-a-childcare-bubble-is>

Covid-19 updates

Reporting of suspected and confirmed cases

Should anyone in your household develop symptoms or receive a positive test result please notify school office by telephone or via the school email, office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk , and follow the national guidelines and self isolate. **If you are leaving a message for the school office on the answer phone regarding sickness, would you please clearly state the symptoms and let us know if you are taking your child for a test.**

School need to be notified so that previous contacts within school can be notified and the local government guidelines can be followed as a school.

Social distancing outside schools

Parents advised to wear face coverings outside schools

Parents and carers across the county are being advised to wear face coverings when dropping off and collecting children from school. Thank you to those of you who are wearing your masks and continuing to socially distance.

The new advice from Public Health recommends that face coverings should be worn where it is physically difficult for parents to follow 2 metre social distancing rules.

Dr Kathryn Cobain, Director of Public Health at Worcestershire County Council, said: "I'd like to ask for the support of parents and carers to keep to the social distancing guidelines at all times, when dropping off and picking up your children.

"We strongly advise wearing a face-covering if you're unable to keep apart, by doing this you can help prevent the spread of the virus. **Let's continue our hard work and remain in the lowest tier of measures.**"

Please do not allow children to run around with other children while waiting outside school. This helps prevent mixing of bubbles keeping you and your children safe.

Covid-19 related pupil absence

A quick reference guide for parents and staff (September 2020)

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
1. ...my child has Covid-19 symptoms: - a temperature - a new, dry (unproductive), persistent cough (coughing for 1 hour or 3 bouts in 24 hours) - loss/change in smell or taste	- Do not come to school - Contact school to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Get a test - Inform the school immediately about the test result	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
2. ...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	- Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days). - Self-isolate the whole household.	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> AND the child feels well.
3. ...my child tests negative.	- Contact school to inform us. - Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day).	...the test comes back negative.
4. ...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	- Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Ring on each day of illness.	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
5. ...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	- Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Self-isolate the whole household. - Household member to get a test. - Inform school immediately about test result.	...the test comes back negative.
6. ...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	- Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). - Self-isolate the whole household.	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
7. ...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	- Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
8. ...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	- The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. - Child can continue to attend school.	...child can continue to attend school
9. ... a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school.	- Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. - SCHOOL NAME child(ren) can continue to attend.	...child can continue to attend school
10. ... my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT	If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: - minimum of 14 days self-isolation for all those who travelled.	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.

on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. - Self-isolate the whole household. <p>*Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information</p>	
11. ... my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS on the exempt list of countries.	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check the current Exempt countries and territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list. - Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school. 	... you have informed the office of your return to the UK (<i>the office will ask you a few questions about your travel</i>).
12. ...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school. - The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs (<i>please contact school if you need support getting your child to school</i>). 	...child can continue to attend school
13. ...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. 	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.</p> <p>...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>
14. ...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child must not come to school. - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. - Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
15. ... I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.

We are aware that several children have colds/sore throats at the moment. As long as there is no cough, temperature, loss of/or change in smell and taste – treat this as you would normally do and your child can return to school when they are well enough to do so.

However, if they do have one of the coronavirus symptoms (as above), even if it is possibly caused by a cold, you should apply the actions for number 1 above.

If you are leaving a message for the school office on the answer phone regarding sickness, would you please clearly state the symptoms and let us know if you are taking your child for a test.