

Newsletter

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Bubble Christmas Parties

After the success of our Halloween parties, we're doubling the fun when it comes to Christmas! All of our parties will be after-school and on different days so that each bubble is able to use the hall and have a little bit more room than in the classrooms. Apart from all the fun and games they'll be having, every child will be given individual sweet treats and drinks, as well as a small gift to take home. Thank you to our PTFA who will be creating a Pass the Parcel for each class. Father Christmas will be visiting each party using Santa Satellite as he's self-isolating at the moment before the big day! Collection will be from your child's usual end of the day exit.

When:

- Reception – Friday 11th December 2:45 – 4:15
- Year 1 – Wednesday 9th December 2:45 – 4:45
- Year 2 – Monday 14th December 2:45 – 4:45
- Year 3 – Tuesday 15th December 3:00 – 5:00
- Year 4 – Wednesday 16th December 3:00 – 5:00
- Year 5 – Thursday 10th December 3:00 – 5:00
- Year 6 – Thursday 17th December 3:00 – 5:00

Elmer's Nursery have received separate information about their Christmas party.

Cost: £6 via ParentPay

Booking Deadline is 6pm on Tuesday, 1st December

Non-Uniform? Yes, on their specific Party Day. All children from that year group are welcome to wear non-uniform, even if they're not going to the after-school party.

Bubble Burst Back-Up Plan: If any of our bubbles aren't in school for their party date, we can reschedule them from January



Christmas Productions and Permissions

Each of the productions will be released onto YouTube with an 'Unlisted' tag. This means that only people with the link will be able to see the videos and they cannot be searched for publicly. You are, therefore, welcome to send the links to grandparents, aunties, uncles, cousins and anybody else who's important to you. However, we do ask that you do not post any of the video on social media. We'll be taking photographs of all of the children in their costumes and these will be available for parents to have and keep.

We require permission from every parent for their child to be on the video which is screened. However, this is easily done at the click of a button and the links are below. We need you to reply, whether you are giving permission or not. There's also an option to ask further questions if your decision is based on something in particular.

All children will be involved in their bubble's performance, regardless of whether they're allowed to appear on screen, it just means that we'll need to be creative! They might be given an off-screen narrator role, be on screen but wearing a mask of some kind or have face paints so that you can't identify them.

Please respond by Tuesday, 1st December

Elmer's Nursery	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MKF3JVF		
R Dodd	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MKYR C8	R Inkpen	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MKSC W55
Y1 Donaldson	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T5TV5T I	Y1 Butterworth	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T55MH J9
Y2 Bond	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TZPWF HM	Y2 Milne	https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/T57WC YD
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Self Isolation Guidelines

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 your 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 and continue to social distance even whilst waiting on school grounds.

. 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



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.

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.



Christmas Post Box

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 we are unable to use the Christmas post box. Children can still send Christmas Cards to the friends in their bubble. All we ask is that they DO NOT LICK the envelope.



Ruby (Dodd) for developing confidence when trying new activities and making more friendships.

Mia (Inkpen) for always coming to school with a big smile and being so enthusiastic about her learning.

Jamie (Butterworth) for being such a kind, caring and respectful member of our class.

Linden (Donaldson) for producing a lovely piece of work about evergreen and deciduous trees.

Mackenzie (Bond) for making a fantastic clay model of a gargoyle.

William (Milne) for ending a fantastic week with an amazing clay sculpture!

Sid (Wilson) for his amazing Antarctica art - really capturing the scene!

Isobel (Dahl) for showing great determination in maths and our TT champs.

Archie (Blyton) for stepping up the pace to give his best in all areas and be a great role model.

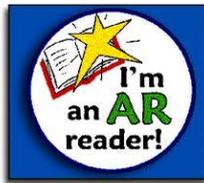
Harry (Morpurgo) for his fantastic reading this week and his growing confidence in maths. Well done Harry!

Luke (Lewis) for creating incredible cricket pads, bat and ball out of recycling material!

Sophia (Rowling) for her brilliant Blue Peteresque video on 'How to make a toilet roll octopus for your pet rabbit!'

Matthew (Walliams) for his excellent involvement in our Jonathon Wolf court case. Some great thinking and deduction!

Euan (Blackman) for being so enthusiastic and professional in his work for our court case.



Accelerated Reader Results

Spelling Shed Results

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

Winning class

Lewis

Top Five Spellers

- 1st – Riley from Rowling
- 2nd – Seanah from Lewis
- 3rd – Daniel from Lewis
- 4th – Ben from Blackman
- 5th – Luke from Milne

Class of the week

Blyton are at the top of the leader board this week with 92% success rate!

This week's most improved class is Blyton who have increased their success rate by 30%!

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

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.



Why are people wearing White Ribbons? White Ribbon Day and the 16 Days of Action Campaign 25th November - 10th December

You may see staff at school wearing a White Ribbon and wonder why. Each year the 16 Days of Action Campaign starts on White Ribbon Day the 25th November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) and ends on 10th December (International Human Rights Day). It raises awareness of male violence against women and girls and the White Ribbon is principally a symbol for men to show that they are saying NO to violence against women.

The campaign focuses on this type of abuse because across North Worcestershire between 1st April 2018 and 31st March 2019, 3638 offences were recorded that involved an element of domestic abuse and 72% of victims were female and 76% of suspects were male.

We recognise that men can be victims too, although in lower numbers. In Worcestershire we are ALL wearing the White Ribbon and saying NO to domestic abuse of all kinds. Details of both help lines are below.

Wyre Forest and Hagley schools and Starting Well Children's Centres are all supporting the campaign. Look out for the campaign on social media.

A person doesn't need to be assaulted to be a victim of domestic abuse - Coercive Controlling behaviour is a criminal offence. You can find out more about it and Clare's Law, which gives any member of the public the right to ask the police if their partner may pose a risk to them, by visiting <https://bit.ly/381Ypo1>

If you feel afraid of someone in your life who is supposed to care about you, but hurts you deliberately or doesn't let you live your life the way you want to, don't suffer in silence, please ring the free, confidential 24 hour Worcestershire Domestic Abuse helpline which is staffed by trained workers **0800 980 3331**. You can visit www.westmerciawomensaid.org for more information.

The male helpline number is **0800 014 9082** and the email address is male.support@rooftopgroup.org. It is manned on a Tuesday between 11.00am and 3.00pm, although messages can be left at any time.

We hope that you are able to support this important campaign and help to raise awareness of domestic abuse by wearing a White Ribbon, so that the people affected by it will know that they are not alone and where to go to get help and support.

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.