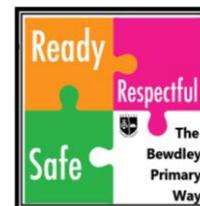




Newsletter

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Welcome back! Happy New Year!

You will have received the new advice about what to do in the event of contact with a positive Covid case and what to do in terms of isolation should your child test positive. I realise that it is not ideal for you to have to do an LFD test with your child every day for 7 days in the event of close contact with a positive case. It is not a pleasant experience and one I am sure we would rather not put our children through. However, we have children in school who live with vulnerable family members and we need to limit the spread as much as possible. Additionally, we need to minimise the number of staff contracting the virus and thus ensure that children can remain in school (given that several staff absences may mean the closure of classes or year groups). As such, it is important that we know as soon as a child becomes infected. Please follow the guidance, if at all possible, so that we can ensure that our children's health and education is not affected by further outbreaks.

We are hopeful that we can continue to re-introduce further school events and opportunities this term and have many plans afoot!

Key Stage Times Tables



Below are the times tables that children will be learning next week.

Week beginning	KS1	LKS2	UKS2
10/1/22	X2	X6	X6

Covid Updates

In school we are beginning to return to some sort of normality, but we are very aware that Covid remains and that we have government guidelines that we must follow.

Therefore, we will continue to encourage children to follow school expectations on hygiene, such as handwashing and sanitising, as well as adhering to expectations about sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it').

The current guidance is that people who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time.

Children aged 5 and under are not advised to take a LFD test unless they are a contact of positive case within their own household, or they develop symptoms.

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test. Your child only needs to have a PCR if they have **not** had a positive LFD **but do have symptoms**.

Individuals may now take LFD tests on **day 6 and day 7** of their self-isolation period. **Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation.** The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. **This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion.** If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education or childcare setting from day 7.

If children do not take an LFD test on day 6 or 7 or the results are still positive or they have a temperature, they must continue to isolate for 10 days (longer if a temperature remains)

After School Clubs



Information with full details of this term's afterschool clubs will be sent home early next week.

Clubs are due to start week commencing 17th January.



These lucky children ventured into the BPS Book Cave today as they won their class's reading raffle for last half term! Children can earn raffle tickets through their quizzing achievements on Accelerated Reader, as well as being rewarded with bronze, silver, gold and target awards.

We've started the Spring Term with a bang and this morning we held our Winners Row Times Table Championship Final! All of the children who became the weekly times table champions in the Autumn Term battled against each other to be crowned champion. Congratulations to Jamie from Milne, Riley from Morpurgo and Tegan from Blackman who all won trophies and a fantastic prize to share with their class!





Reading Volunteers



Do you (or a grandparent, neighbour, friend...) have a few hours a week to spare and would like to get involved in our reading community? We desperately need adults to come into school to listen to children read. This would usually be with our younger children or with those who find reading tricky, to help improve their fluency and build confidence. All you need to be able to do is be able to commit to a regular slot, have a little patience and be enthusiastic about reading! If you think you may be able to help, or would like to know more, please email Miss Bradley at abradley@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk

Mood Masters

Starting Well are running Mood Masters from Friday 21st January 10am - 11am at school. To register and reserve your free place please contact the number on the flyer above or email Mrs Bennett (jbennett@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk) and she will liaise with you.

Family Drop In

Bewdley Primary School

Fridays, 9am—10am

Commencing 14th January 2022



Supporting parents/carers of children and young people aged 0—19 years in developing confidence and resilience in their role

All parents/carers welcome

Top-tips, Information, Advice & Guidance

Refreshments provided

For more information please speak to a member of school staff, or call Brookside Family Hub—01562 827207

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