

Brereton CE Primary School

Friday 13th March 2020



Coronavirus

The second and third pages of our newsletter outlines key information regarding Coronavirus. Please read it carefully.

We receive daily updates from Cheshire East and Public Health England and if this alters our practise or procedures we will let parents know.

Thank you for your understanding.

World Book Day

We have received some wonderful feedback from the staff at Holmes Chapel and Sandbach library, commending the children's behaviour and noting an increase in books been taken out. Our libraries are a great resource and we are very glad to hear our children are making good use of them.

Easter Egg Raffle

Our Rose Queen, Elizabeth, would like to host an Easter Egg raffle. She would be most grateful if any donations could be brought into school by Wednesday 25th March. This is always a popular event with the children and all proceeds all be donated to charity.



Lent Collection

As part of Lent, Reverend Sandi has organised a collection for the homeless and she would be grateful of the following items:

Small packets of tissues, Comb /brush, Black bin liners, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Baby wipes, Tampons, Underpants, Knickers, Socks, Gloves, Hats, Polo Mints, Chewing Gum, Granola Bars, Hand wipes, Water bottle, Sunscreen, Plasters, Nail clippers, Chewable Multivitamins, Toilet roll, Black bin bags

Items can be dropped off at St Oswald's church or at school.

Cake Raffle

Charlotte in Y6 will be selling raffle tickets next week in order to raise funds for The Christie. The winner will be drawn on Friday in assembly and will receive a wonderful cake!



Y4 Trip to Tatton Park

Year 4 had a fantastic day at Tatton on Thursday, learning what it would have been like for a child refugee during WWII.



Netball

Well done to our Y5/6 netball teams who took part in the Holmes Chapel cluster tournament on Monday.



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We are receiving regular updates from the Department of Health and we have put this action plan into place:

Hand Washing

Children are encouraged to wash their hands on a regular basis including:

- On arrival at school
- After they have been to the toilet
- Before they eat

We recommend that children wash their hands thoroughly when they arrive home.

Antibacterial gel is available around the school and children are welcome to bring in their own small bottle, which should be kept in their locker.

Trips

Any trips and residential already booked will go ahead as planned, unless we are instructed otherwise.

We are working with the coach companies and the residential centres to reduce risk and sensible precautions will be taken. We will continue to update risk assessments, in line with Public Health England and Cheshire East guidance. It may mean some activities are changed or adapted. If there are any significant changes, we will communicate these to parents.

No further trips or visits will be planned for the time being.

Environment

The cleaning team are following guidance and are thoroughly cleaning surfaces daily. Door handles are being cleaned with an antibacterial spray daily.

Parents in School

We ask that parents and relatives follow the guidance from Public Health England and self isolate if they have recently returned from the list of identified countries.

If you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or relative, please call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment

Parents Consultations will go ahead next week as planned, unless we are instructed otherwise. We ask that parents use the antibacterial gel in the entrance hall on arrival. **If unwell, parents should not attend.**

Stay and Makes have been postponed.

Self-Isolation

Any children who may be at risk or are displaying symptoms (cough, high temperature) should remain at home for a minimum of 7 days. Absences will be authorised and class work will be uploaded to the school website via the class page. Please notify us if your child will be absent from school.

We would encourage parents to be sensitive to the needs and vulnerabilities of others and if in any doubt, keep your child at home.

If a child develops a temperature at school they will be removed from class and parents will be phoned and asked to collect their child immediately.

Staffing

Staff are being asked to follow the guidance given yesterday, stating anyone with a cough or high temperature should remain at home for 7 days.

We will try to restrict the impact of potentially reduced staffing numbers on the children, but in the **worst case scenario** we may have to close the school to certain classes. We will not do this unless we absolutely have to but it may be sensible for parents to start thinking about their own contingency plan for child care in case such an event occurs.



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Water Bottles

Could parents ensure all children have a water bottle in school and it is taken home regularly to be cleaned. Those children without bottles are using plastic cups and we are concerned that this may lead to accidental sharing.

Education

This week all classes have completed lessons on personal hygiene. We have looked at how to wash our hands properly and the importance of using tissues when coughing and sneezing.

Soap and paper towels are provided for handwashing.

Every class has a supply of tissues and the children are encouraged to put them straight into the bin.

Sporting Competitions

All sporting events at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive have been cancelled.

Further Information

www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

This information is accurate at the time of publication and we will notify parents as soon as possible if things change. We appreciate that the level of uncertainty can be frustrating and we thank you for your patience.

School Church Services

Mothering Sunday - 20th March 2pm
Reception, Y1, Y2

Easter - 27th March 2pm
Years 3-6 (Year 5 leading)

EYFS/KS1 Messy Church session has been cancelled.

Leaver's Service - 17th July 2pm
Whole school (year 6 leading)

Dates

Parent Consultations - 16th - 20th March

Mothers Day Present Room - Friday 20th March

Mothering Sunday Service EYFS/KS1 2pm - Friday 20th March

Beeston Residential Year 2 - 23rd/24th March

Pensarn Residential Year 6 - 30th March - 3rd April

PTA Meeting - Tuesday 21st April at 6pm

York Residential Y4 - 29th April - 1st May

Year 4 Class Assembly - Friday 15th May

KS2 SATS Week - 11th - 15th May

KS1 SATS Week - 18th - 22nd May



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