

BONNEVILLE



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Success for today, prepared for tomorrow

Tuesday 2nd June 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back!

It is the final hurdle to the Summer Holidays and what a monumental task it has been!

I am under no illusion of the struggles we have all faced throughout this pandemic, unprecedented times indeed. However, what an incredible job we have all done. Juggling health, work, education and children with limited resources, places to go and friends and family support; now that's winning!

I asked that you simply keep our children's minds warm for us, which I know has become increasingly more challenging as time has gone on. I thank you for anything that you have achieved, most importantly happy and safe children who have had the opportunity to experience learning from spending time with family.

Thanks also to the parents and families for your continued support. The crowd funding page set up by our Key Worker Parents, means so much <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/support-bonneville-primary-school>

I would also like to extend my gratitude to all staff members who have been doing a phenomenal job. School has not been closed. Staff have been putting themselves at risk during the most peak times of this pandemic, by supporting us to keep open to Key Worker, EHCP and our vulnerable families. Without reservation, staff have stepped up by coming in at times when it was most challenging to do so, whilst maintaining our Virtual School portal and all the planning that comes with this. In addition to juggling their own families, health matters and anxieties of their own. I salute you all!

I am also really impressed in the manner of which staff have supported the planning that has gone into setting up for further opening of Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 this term. Constructive dialogue with staff members, has supported us to adapt along with the flexible approach of school leaders. Union representatives have been active in galvanising staff concerns, to enable us to work together. I know this has not been easy at times, thank you!

I write to flesh out further details before our return tomorrow.

Attendance-It is entirely up to you!

The most beautiful thing about our community is the vast diversity that we serve. We have always worked hard to give our children what they need, which means we have become experts in being creative to meeting the needs of our community. Some families are ready for their children to return, whilst others are not, and that is absolutely fine. We want to maximise parental choice, with no added pressure. It is a family decision and we must respect each other's ability to do what is right for them. One size does not fit all! All we ask is, if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 that you fill in the survey to opt out, that way we know you are keeping in touch with us and receiving the weekly survey.

To maximise our planning time, the survey will be released from **8.30am every Wednesday and close at 10am every Thursday**, to survey attendance for the following week. You will receive 'Acknowledgement of your intent' and your child(ren)'s start time(s) every **Friday by 4pm**, by return email from the Administrative Team.

Please be clear, if you have not received a receipt, you do not have a place. We are only staffing for the capacity needed. We simply will not be able to absorb any more children throughout the week.

BONNEVILLE



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Success for today, prepared for tomorrow

If you have registered for a place, but for some reason your child is unable to attend due to sickness, please call the Administrative Team in the same way as usual, to report first day absence.

Organisation of the 'Bubble Day'

Each year group will follow the Bubble A, B, C approach. The number of children we are expecting, will inform the number of Bubbles.

Each Bubble Lead (Adult) will be at your child's allocated gate for a 15 minute time period, the details of which are confirmed in the 'Acknowledgement of your intent' receipt.

	Bubble A		Bubble B		Bubble C
9:00	Welcome at gate	9:25	Welcome at gate	9:50	Welcome at gate
9:15	Settling and handwashing	9:45	Settling and handwashing	10:10	Settling and handwashing
9:25	Lesson 1	9:50	Lesson 1	10:15	Lesson 1
10:25	Break and handwashing	10:50	Break and handwashing	11:15	Break and handwashing
10:55	Lesson 2	11:20	Lesson 2	11:45	Lesson 2
11:55	Assembly	12:20	Assembly	12:45	Assembly
12:05	Handwashing	12:30	Handwashing	12:55	Handwashing
12:20	Lunch	12:45	Lunch	13:10	Lunch
12:35	Surface clean – Children outside Adult break	13:00	Surface clean – Children outside Adult break	13:25	Surface clean – Children outside Adult break
13:05	Handwashing	13:30	Handwashing	13:50	Handwashing
13:20	Lesson 3	13:45	Lesson 3	14:10	Lesson 3
14:20	Handwashing	14:45	Handwashing	15:10	Handwashing
14:35	Story time	15:00	Story time	15:25	Story time
14:50	Home	15:15	Home	15:40	Home

As you can see, it is vital that you arrive on time in the mornings and collect your child on time at the end of the school day. Late drop offs and collection will compromise the efficiency of the Risk Assessment we have put in place. Breaches of this will jeopardise your ability to sign up for the provision.

Key Worker Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

We understand that these hours will be a challenge for you, however we can only manage with the capacity we have. The focus has shifted from providing an extended service. The earlier start (8.30am) for the Year 2, 3, 4, and 5 Key worker bubble, supports our staggered timetable however, this provision will end at 15.45pm to meet the needs of staffing going forward.

Who is allowed on the school premises?

School staff only! Please only communicate with the school by email or telephone via the Administrative Team.

BONNEVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Success for today, prepared for tomorrow

Uniform

Uniform, being the only clothing worn at school, is our safest option. Therefore, all children will be expected to attend in full uniform from tomorrow. Please support our schools safety measures by washing school uniform as often as you can.

Children will also need their PE kits. Those can be brought in and left in school for the week to be taken home every Friday.

Children are not permitted to attend school wearing a face covering. You may choose to allow your child to wear it to and from school, however, on arrival it must be removed.

School Meals

The onsite kitchen team will be providing packed lunch meals only. This will enable the safe delivery of lunches to each 'Bubble Room'.

Should you wish to purchase a meal, please inform the Administrative Team.

Upper Key Stage Two 'Mobile Phones'

We will not be collecting pupil's mobile phones and therefore ask that children do not come to school with them.

Virtual School

In order to maximise parental choice options, virtual school will continue for every year group. Therefore, if you wish to keep your child at home and continue accessing the virtual school resources, we will respect your wish to do so.

We are also aware of the extended period of home learning placed on years 2, 3, 4 and 5 children. As a result, we are looking at ways to enable greater virtual pastoral support for all classes. Please bear with us on this, we want to get it right.

Please help me keep our staff reassured by doing the following:

- Take note of our 'Parent Principles' and adhere to them
- Collect your child/ren on time - our planning depends on it!
- Only bring your child/ren in, if you have filled in the survey and received a receipt - we are only planning for the capacity requested
- Being flexible if things need to change

Having worked hard to enable the safest environment for our children, we are all desperate to see them return. By the end of the day, you will receive a short video to be shared with your child to support them in being prepared for tomorrow.

As a result of our due diligence in preparing for the children's return, you will find us appearing in some of the broad sheets and tabloids today, sharing our practice.

Please remember, all previous letters can be found on the school's website, including these updates, under our COVID-19 tab.

Keep safe and I will keep in touch.

Regards,



Ms A. Parker
Lead Headteacher

Accessing Education Principles for Parents and Carers

1. Do not bring or send your child to school if they have coronavirus symptoms, and access a test as soon as possible.
2. Should the school contact you raising concerns for your child's health, specifically related to coronavirus symptoms, make arrangements for the immediate collection of your child, who will remain isolated until you arrive.
3. Promote the regular cleaning of hands more often than usual - with running water and soap and dry them thoroughly or use alcohol hand rub or sanitiser ensuring that all parts of the hands are covered, at home.
4. Promote the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
5. Promote the avoidance of touching your mouth, nose and eyes.
6. If your child 'Goes home alone' actively promote that they do so with no loitering or waiting for their friends. Particularly if they are not in the same 'Bubble' group.
7. Leave the area (school gates) as soon as you have dropped your child/ren off at school.
8. Do not attempt to access the school grounds without prior invitation from school staff. Instead, access the school by calling or emailing the administrative team.
9. Drop your child to school and collect them on time.