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Dear Parents, Staff, Governors & Children

Another week rolls by and we remain safe and vigilant in school. We ask that you all please ensure that, as a family, you are adhering to Government guidelines during this period of lockdown. All too often across the country, schools are having to close bubbles and even whole schools. We feel it is vitally important to keep schools open and we ask that you support us in keeping our bubbles as secure as possible.

P&F - in the current climate, already stretched school budgets are now feeling the full weight of the additional cleaning measures required and unexpected additional costs. Parental support in fundraising is now more important than ever and we will be reinvigorating our P&F group over the coming weeks. If anyone is interested in the following roles, please contact the school office:

· Chairperson · Vice-Chair · Secretary

Now is a great time to get involved as plans will be developed to work towards Easter and roles won't be too demanding as everything is limited due to the current situation. I really hope we can get a positive and dynamic team together to support our children.

Please enjoy a safe and relaxing weekend. Mr Dan Hadley

DIARY DATES:

8.30-8.55am: Staggered drop offs

Daily: Collective Worship & Assembly online 24/11/2020: Scholastic Book Club magazine deadline

25/11/2020: Flu Immunisation in school
09/12/2020: Chartwells Christmas Dinner
11/12/2020: Christmas jumper day fundraiser
20/01/2020: Bags2School collection fundraiser

Absence from school & Google Classroom

If your child is absent from school for <u>any</u> reason <u>please</u> notify the school office as early in the school day as <u>possible</u> and for every day that they remain unwell. Children that are too unwell to be in school are not expected to access work online - only children who are well but isolating due to awaiting a test result for Covid or isolating due to household member awaiting a test result will be assigned work through Google Classroom. Have you helped your child to log in to Google Classroom? Yellow and Blue Class children will be using Google Classroom in school as well so it is essential that they know their password.

If your child, or a member of their household is displaying symptoms of Covid, the household <u>must</u> isolate and the person with symptoms tested asap. Please advise school as soon as possible as we have paperwork to submit to Cornwall Council.

Please also adhere to the 48-hour rule for any sickness and/or diarrhoea to prevent this being passed on to others. Thank you.

Woodland Recovery 2020 & Derek Thomas MP

Do you have the space to plant a tree or two or like one to place into a large patio pot? As previously mentioned our saplings arrived. The varieties we have



received are Downy Birch, Goat Willow, Hazel and Crab Apple. Due to the potential size these trees can grow, careful consideration needs to be given when planting. It may be possible to repot your sapling into a large patio container to restrict its growth. The Woodland Trust has an alphabetical list giving lots of information about each tree including its potential size. Please see their website:

https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/advice/

Yellow Class Ukulele - TUESDAY's

All children in Yellow Class are taking part in First Access whole class ukulele lessons. Children have been given their



own ukulele to practise with at home but <u>they do need to</u> bring their ukulele back to school each TUESDAY please.

Flu Nasal Spray Vaccination - THIS WEDNESDAY

The school nursing team have confirmed that they will be in school on Wednesday 25th November. A letter was sent home which gave details of the online link where you can access full information and the online consent form. THE DEADLINE for online consent is Monday 23rd.

PE in Winter

Thank you for helping us to comply with our current guidelines. Children have been arriving in school on PE days dressed for PE but layered up appropriately for our winter weather. Children are warm but still look smart on PE days.

Allocated PE days: Blue Class: Monday pm; Yellow Class: Friday pm & Red Class: Wednesday pm.















Ventilation in school

We are fully ventilating as much as possible throughout school with doors and windows open (or opened regularly dependant on temperature). This can make it a bit chilly even inside sometimes. Please check with your child that they are warm enough in class and perhaps add a t-shirt layer under their school shirt.

Chartwells Christmas Dinner

Chartwells will be having their annual Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 9th December. The menu hasn't been finalised as yet and things will be quite different this year as children will continue to have their lunch in their bubbles. As soon as the poster is released we will share this with you.

Outstanding payments

To minimise cash handling in school please use your ParentPay account. If you need a reminder of your login please email the school office. If you do send in cash and your child is having a school meal regularly please consider paying for several days in one payment to minimise cash handling. Please clear any deficits as soon as possible. Thank you.

Red Class - Show & Tell - Mondays only

Thank you to everyone who has been sending in photos/videos for Show & Tell. Children are enjoying sharing with their friends. Keep sending in via email (sorry but time doesn't allow for acknowledging receipt of each but everything received by Monday lunchtime is passed to Mrs Holliehead). Please remember items are not to be brought into school. Email secretary@breage.cornwall.sch.uk - in the subject heading please use the wording "Red Class Show & Tell".

Scholastic Book Club magazine – sent home with children
Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go
to https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/breage-ce/digital-bookclub 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
Tuesday November 24th. Books
will be delivered to school.

<u>Lunchboxes - healthy lunchboxes/snacks encouraged</u>



Please ensure that no sweets, chocolate, tins (pop) or glass bottles are included in packed lunches. Cornwall Council's fruit scheme provides all Reception, Year 1 and 2's with a

free piece of fruit or vegetable every day (seasonal). We encourage all children to have a piece of fruit during morning break and would ask that children in Years 3 to 6 bring a piece of fruit each day.

Red Class children are enjoying their school meals and many are trying different things they wouldn't normally eat. Food is never forced upon them and parents are still welcome to pack a small lunch to supplement this. We suggest adding items such as cucumber, carrot sticks, crackers and on days when the menu is unlikely to appeal to your child perhaps a sandwich too. Ideally we want to avoid children leaving their school dinner in favour of eating a chocolate biscuit, crisps, yoghurts etc from their lunch box.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE ZONE

Children in Need Day - THANK YOU!

A fantastic £100 was raised and has been paid in!

Terracycle - Recycling - £572.50 to date

It is important that all recycling is sorted into its brigade and is clean, dry and product free. Please only include those items permitted within each brigade.

Homework expectations

I hope everyone who wanted a telephone parent meeting was able to book one. One common comment was that parents didn't know what was expected of their child outside of school. This additional work supplements and reinforces their learning.

Blue Class: Reading at least 5 times a week; SumDog maths and grammar (set each Friday at 3:30pm and closes the following Thursday at 7pm. (submissions after this time will not count), Spellings are sent home every Monday which are tested on Friday. These spellings are also available in their Google Classroom workspace. On Friday's, children who have not done their SumDog grammar or Maths, or if they have not done at least 5 reads, will miss part or all of their morning break to complete this work.

<u>Yellow Class</u>: is exactly the same as above but spellings are sent home every Friday (in a Yellow book) to be tested the following Friday.

<u>Red Class</u>: Children should read at least 5 times a week and practice their phonics/tricky words which they have in their packs. Spellings are sent home every Friday to be tested on the following Friday.

Bags2School Collection - BrightSparks Pre School

If you're having a clear out before/after Christmas please consider bagging up any of the following items to save for this fundraiser (20th January). Pre-school are also having a Christmas raffle if you are able to donate a prize.



- · Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic banc
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- · Household curtains
- Household towels
- · Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cas

* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We **DO NOT** accept: