

Brimscombe Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and I hope you and your children have all had a great Christmas.

We are delighted to be able to open as normal at the start of term and to welcome all our pupils back. Before term begins, I would like to update you on a few things.

Curriculum information: On the class page of the school website you will find an overview of what your child will be learning this term. Here you will also find the timetable for the week including PE and Outdoor learning. Homework will now be posted on Seesaw on a Friday to be completed by the following Friday. On the class page you will find the latest homework choices grid. Each class has a blog which is regularly updated with what they have been doing. Please continue to encourage your children to read regularly and to keep their reading records up to date.

Covid: The latest guidance for schools was published on 2nd of January:-

If a child has COVID-19 [symptoms](#) they should stay at home and self-isolate immediately. You should [arrange to have a PCR test](#) as soon as possible. If this PCR test result is positive, your child must continue to self-isolate. If negative they can return to school.

The latest guidance states that children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 (for example a parent or someone else in the family home) should take an LF 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.

If a child under 5 is a contact of a confirmed case, they are not required to self-isolate and should not start daily testing. If they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 they should limit their contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19, and arrange to take a PCR test as soon as possible. They can continue to attend an education or childcare setting while waiting for the PCR result.

To mitigate risk at school we will continue with the 8:45 -8:55 window at the start of school and the staggered finish times at the end of school. We will also keep the school well ventilated and have additional cleaning. Staff will continue to wear masks in communal areas.



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Please support us by making sure your children wash their hands before coming to school, get them tested if they develop symptoms and keep us up to date with test outcomes.

If your child is absent for Covid reasons please inform the school and teachers will post remote learning for them to complete at home via Seesaw.

Staff contact: Our teachers are more than happy be contacted via email and always do their best to respond to your questions and concerns. However, unless urgent, could I ask you not to email staff late in the evening or at the weekends.

Pre School: Our Pre-school is now open 5 days a week all day between 9:00 and 3:00. The 5 afternoons are for children who are 3 years and over.

Clubs: These will begin on the week beginning 17th January - If you would like to run an afterschool club or help out please get in touch. Club choices will be out on the week of the 10th January.

Finally, we are all hoping for less and less disruption as the year goes on and more opportunities to connect with our school community. Staff have planned some really good things to look forward to this term and we are all looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year ahead!

Yours sincerely

Mr J. Roberts

Head Teacher



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