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Dear Parents / Carers



Week two of term has seen things settle down even further as we all get the hang of the staggered start and finish times. Thank you for adapting to this and keeping socially distanced. As infection numbers rise we must guard against complacency and ensure that everyone remains safe so that the children can come to school. We all want to avoid any form of closure.

The situation with COVID testing has reached breaking point and I know that this has affected many families this week. If your child, or any one in your household, displays any of the [symptoms](#) please call us, keep your child at home and try to get a test. At the moment only children with symptoms can be tested. Other siblings should stay at home until the test result is returned. If the test is positive, they will have to isolate for 14 days. If it is negative, they can return to school. Getting a test may take a few days but may prevent you having to isolate for 10 days for those with symptoms and 14 days for everyone else in the household. If your child has a sore throat, cold, headache etc but does not have the symptoms of COVID then they can come to school if well enough. Use the hyperlink above to check the website for COVID symptoms advice.

New Website

Our new website is live <http://www.billingshurstprimary.org.uk/web> . There will soon be a redirect from the old site to this new one and very soon we will have lots of lovely new photos on the site.

Water Bottles

Please do make sure your child comes in each and every day with a named water bottle, thank you.

Free School Meals

If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals please do contact the school office for a form to complete. There are a number of additional benefits for children eligible for FSM such a uniform or a book bag and reduced costs for visits and residential trips. These may not be happening at the moment but we hope they will return again soon.

Midday Meals Supervisors

We urgently need more Midday Meals Supervisors. If you would be interested in doing this vital job, please see the advert on the website or email the school office for an application form. Ideally we would like you to work 5 days a week but would still be interested to hear from you if you could only do two or three.

Learning beyond the classroom

If your child is away from school because they have to isolate or have COVID then our curriculum is on line. Each Friday we upload an accessible version of what the children are learning in school. You can find this by following the link below to your child's year group:

Year 1 <https://padlet.com/year17/Bookmarks>

Year 2 <https://padlet.com/year219/70gr5qjjqscw39hz>

Year 3 <https://padlet.com/year339/Bookmarks>

Year 4 <https://padlet.com/year440/Bookmarks>

Year 5 <https://padlet.com/year5135/Bookmarks>

Year 6 <https://padlet.com/year640/Bookmarks>

Optional homework will also be posted on Padlet in the next week. If you need a printed copy of the curriculum in the event of having to isolate, please telephone the school office.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Williamson
Headteacher

Letters Home This Week

All – Individual Photos Letter

Dates for Diary

