

Byerley Park Primary School Newsletter

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All children to return to school on 8th March 2021

We are delighted that all children will be returning to school on Monday 8th March 2021 (except for those who have had a letter from the NHS or their GP to say they must continue to shield until 31st March).

Attendance will be mandatory for all pupils. If your child is not able to attend school on any particular day, you must notify us by 9.20am on the first day of absence.

We appreciate that in many cases children will have grown out of their winter school uniform. Therefore, your child may wear summer uniform (white polo shirt instead of shirt and tie, or summer dresses) from 8th March, instead of waiting until after Easter. Please bear in mind that we will have windows open in school to improve ventilation and it will not be hot in school.

More detailed information will be sent out next week with the procedures and processes to be followed once we return.

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day – Friday 19th March 2021

RED NOSE DAY

We will be supporting Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March. Children are asked to come to school wearing something red instead of school uniform (jeans and football strips are allowed). Children may also bring red noses, but please ensure they are named.

We do not expect you to buy anything special just for this day, so please do not feel pressurised into doing this. However, if you have already bought a Comic Relief T Shirt, this can be worn to school on this day.

We have set up a donations page with ParentPay to enable you to donate and potentially gift aid your donation. Please donate directly using this link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2225>

Living Eggs – Chicken Hatching Programme - Y2



Year 2 class will be taking delivery of some 'living eggs' and an incubator when we return to school next week.

Hopefully, the children will be able to watch as the chicks hatch in school. However, sometimes the hatching takes place out of school hours. Therefore, we have set up a YouTube channel so that from 3.30pm – 8.50am we can live stream the eggs in the incubator. We did this a couple of years ago, and it was amazing to watch the chicks hatch and was compulsive viewing for children and parents!

Please find the link below if you would like to follow their progress from 9th March :-

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTMK8mcBxNM-HAtWGqisORQ>

Guidelines for Packed Lunches



If your child brings their own packed lunch to school, please can you ensure that they have a balanced meal at lunchtime, as children need sufficient nourishment to sustain their energy levels until the end of the day. E.g. sandwiches, biscuit/cake, vegetables and/or fruit and a yoghurt. Many of our children like salads and/or pasta salad or cous cous with veg, which are very nutritious and filling. Please will you note the following:-

- Our school is a nut free school as we have some children who suffer anaphylaxis shock - nut allergy. We need your full co-operation in ensuring that packed lunches **never** contain peanut butter sandwiches, Nutella chocolate spread, products containing nuts, or any nuts or direct nut products.
- Please do not send in chocolate bars or sweets.
- All packed lunches must be in a clearly named, packed lunch plastic carrying box or suitable free standing bag – plastic carriers are not suitable.
- Many children prefer a fruit drink to water, which is ok, but please do not send in fizzy drinks.

Brainy Bunch Competition

Well done to Bella T in Year 3, who received a runner up prize in the recent Brainy Bunch Poster competition.

There were many entries in her category across the Region and we are delighted with her award. She will receive a signed copy of the Brainy Bunch Book.

World Book Day -

We had intended to do something to mark World Book Day this year, however as this falls during lockdown, we want to wait until all the children are back in school before we do this.

More information will follow after Easter.

Easter



We will not be able to have our traditional Easter competition again this year, due to Covid; therefore, on our last day of term (Thursday 25th March), the whole school will take part in Easter Activities.

We will provide all the materials for the children to create their own Easter masterpieces for them to take home at the end of the day.

School will be closed to pupils on Friday 26th March, due to staff INSET day and will then be closed for the Easter Holidays. We will re-open on Monday 12th April 2021.