

## Newsletter Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thank you to everybody that is adhering to our COVID-19 arrangements. It is **essential** that we **ALL** continue to follow the arrangements put in place so protect the children's continued attendance in school.

### Please ensure that:

1. Face masks are worn on site, **at all times**, unless you have advised us of a medical reason exempting you from wearing one.
2. You adhere to 2m social distancing both inside and outside the school gates **at all times**.
3. KS2 children are not dropped off early. Y4 should be dropped at 8.40 am, Y5 at 8.50 am and Y6 at 8.30 am. Some of them are being dropped off early and they are congregating on the path outside the gates making it difficult for others to pass.
4. Y3 children walk to their entry door with their adults and do not run off with other children.

If points 3 and 4 continue to cause issues we may need to review start times to maintain safety for all children and adults on site.

### Coats

We do expect children to wear coats to school now that the weather has turned colder and often wet.

### Reception Admissions

The deadline for applications to be submitted to apply for a Reception place in September 2021 is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Applications can be made online at:

<https://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/childreducation/Schools/ApplyingForASchoolPlace.aspx>

If you have any enquiries in relation to Admissions please contact Bournemouth Borough Council directly on 01202 456223.

As we are currently unable to offer tours of the school, we have put together a video and would be pleased if you would pass this on to any friends or family who are considering applying for a place with us. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCiX1Ffz3pA>

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### **Children in Need**

Thank you to everyone that donated to Children in Need last Friday. We are awaiting the final total from our Finance Department and will let you know the total as soon as we have this.

### **Christmas Cards**

Post boxes will be available each Monday, starting 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020, for children to post Christmas cards to their friends. Posting day will be **Mondays only** so that the cards can then be left for 72 hours before they are then distributed. Please ensure children address their cards using full names and class. Individual cards should not be given out.

### **Christmas Disco/Party**

We are hoping to organise after school discos/parties similar to the Halloween ones. These will be held near the end of term and more information will follow.

Kind regards,



Mrs Fish  
**Principal**

## **Important Dates for the Diary:**

### **Autumn Term**

Inset Day	Friday 4th December 2020
Pupil's last day	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2020

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