

NOVEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

THANK YOU TO PARENTS and CARERS

Thank you for your patience as you wait to pick up your children at the end of sessions.

Nearly all parents and carers are now waiting outside the front door and we ask you to **please do this** unless it really upsets your child. Most children are managing very well; it's great to see their **growing independence and confidence** and these **early lessons in hygiene** will be with them always!

Please try to keep 2m distance between yourself and other parents as you wait.



Bristol City Council has been in touch with our school with a warning:

Our area currently has one of the highest rates of coronavirus in the city.

I have copied Bristol's key messages to you at the end of our newsletter.

REPORTING ABSENCES

Please remember to call the Nursery if your child is unwell or can't come to school for any reason. If your child has flu like symptoms or even diarrhoea, please do get them tested for coronavirus.

0117-9031467 or 3773297

STAFFING

As part of our risk assessment, we have taken the decision not to use supply cover this year. This is to limit people coming into the building. Wherever possible, when a member of staff has to isolate, we cover their absence with our team.

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At the time of writing, both our class teachers have recovered from their infection and are back in school, one member of staff is still poorly, one is shielding and one is self-isolating. Our thoughts and prayers are with our colleagues and with everyone affected by Covid.



Thank you for understanding on occasions when we can't cover and your child has to stay at home.



OUTDOOR PLAY

Please send your children to Nursery with **wellies** if they have them.

Outside play is ALWAYS important in the Early Years- many children have more energy and more focus - and it offers opportunities for physical development that you can't get indoors.

We are spending even more time in the garden because it lessens the risk of passing on germs.

This week, the children have been enjoying a camp fire in the grounds.



CHILDREN'S CLOTHING AND LOST PROPERTY

There is a lost property box in the parents' room. Please make sure that your child's bag and clothing are named as it really helps staff bringing them to you.

Thank you!



RECEPTION PLACES- DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE-WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY

Families are advised to make three choices even if you don't think you will use them and remember to put on the form if your child has a sibling already at the school.

ZOOM WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN STARTING AT PRIMARY SCHOOL NEXT YEAR

Please join me and **James Britton from Bristol City Council School Admissions Department** in a Zoom meeting to answer all your questions about applying for primary school on:

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 27TH AT 9.30AM

We will send out the Zoom invitation by text message. (Please make sure your mobile numbers are up-to-date in the office.)

Information about Covid from Bristol City Council:

- The council's guidance for parents and carers amid COVID-19 [here](#)
- The council's videos in difference languages [here](#)
- Information on the council's free We Are Bristol helpline [here](#)
- The Council will produce the following information in community languages next week.
- Please help your friends and neighbours to understand these messages.

Bristol City Council School Term Dates 2020 to 2021

Term 1 Monday 7 September to Friday 23 October 2020

Term 2 Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 18 December 2020

Term 3 Monday 4 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021

Term 4 Monday 22 February 2021 to Thursday 1 April 2021

Term 5 Monday 19 April 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021

Term 6 Monday 7 June 2021 to Wednesday 21 July 2021

Rosemary Nursery School will be **CLOSED** for staff training on Monday 4 January 2021 and three more days to be confirmed

Key messages from Bristol City Council:

- Please travel to/from school with COVID-19 in mind. It's advised to avoid public transport so please try and walk/cycle to school if you can, keeping your distance from others, and ensure you wear a face covering when required. Where possible, car sharing with people outside your household or support bubble should be avoided.
- Social distancing guidance inside and outside of school is different. Whilst at school, your child can mix with his/her class bubble, as safety measures are in place. This is necessary in order for us to enable children and young people to continue to attend. However, these measures are **not** in place outside of school, so please make sure you and your child follow the current government guidance when not in the school building
- Social distancing outside school gates is vital to minimise the spread. Please **do not** gather or mix when dropping off or collecting your child
- If you or your child develops symptoms of the virus, you/they **must not** go to school. Stay at home, self-isolate and get tested. Symptoms include a new continuous cough, high temperature or loss or change to your sense of taste and smell
- If you or your child is asked to self-isolate, you/they **must not** leave the house under any circumstances and your friends and family cannot visit during this time. We understand your frustrations in having to adapt to last minute calls or changes requiring you/your child to self-isolate and thank you for your continued cooperation.