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AUTUMN TERM DIARY

Monday 14th December: On line panto afternoon
Tuesday 15th December: Y1/2 Party pm: come to school in party clothes
Wednesday 16th December: Y3/4 Party pm: come to school in party clothes
Thursday 17th December: Y5/6 Party pm: come to school in party clothes
Friday 18th December: Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18th December: Reception/Nursery Party pm: come to school in party clothes
Friday 18th December: End of term - school closes

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thankfully we have made it through to another weekend and thanks to the continued practice in school, handwashing, hand sanitising, reinforcing 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it!' and adult social distancing/mask wearing, we have had no zone closures, yet again! The children have been working hard this week and it has been lovely to see the few, who have been self-isolating, returning to school, back amongst friends 😊

PUBLISHED WORKS

This week we received copies of 'Parmo to the rescue!' by Rachael Wong. This is a particularly special book, with illustrations created by Middlesbrough's children. An illustration competition took place earlier this year, supported by the National Literacy Trust and the winning entries included many of Newham Bridge Primary School's talented artists. Congratulations to Hollie J, Evie T, Emily C, Eboni M, Kameron M and James R whose fabulous artwork is featured within the book. The foreword also features a picture of Zhi Yi and Mia with the local author Adele Parks who visited the school last year. The winning children have received a copy of the book. We are so very proud of our children - who are now published illustrators 😊

TEXT 2 PARENTS

At the beginning of December (**NEXT WEEK!**) all school communication, texts and newsletters, will transfer to our school comms: 'SCHOOL GATEWAY APP'

IMPORTANT ACTION: Please download the '**SCHOOL GATEWAY**' app and register.

CHRISTMAS IN SCHOOL

Christmas is going to be a little different this year, despite this, we will endeavour to make it just as fun for the children. Unfortunately, due to the 'licking and sticking of cards' we will not be having a school post box, our classes will send a collective card to the rest of the school 😊. Instead of cards this year we suggest that a donation be made to our charity Reindeer Runs – supporting Teesside/Butterwick Hospice the zone runs start from the 7th December.

REINDEER RUNS FROM MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER

In the penultimate week of term, Monday 7th – 11th December each zone will be supporting a fundraiser 'Reindeer Run' chosen by the School Council to assist the Teesside/Butterwick Hospice. The event is usually a sponsored event but given the current pandemic – a donation on the day for participation would be great. The children will each receive a pack with reindeer antlers and they will be going out on the field to complete as many laps of our track, as they can, in an allocated time – with prizes for each class. More information will be available next week via the School Gateway App.

NURSERY PLACES

We currently have some afternoon Nursery places available for children (3 years+). Unfortunately, a Nursery place does NOT guarantee a place in school. Nursery application forms are available from the school office.

ZONE/BUBBLE LOCKDOWN

If any staff, families/ children develop symptoms, depending on numbers, this can/may lead to school 'zone' closure. If we receive confirmation of a positive test result, there may be a requirement for individuals, bubbles and zones to self-isolate. If you do receive a positive test result – please contact the school immediately. For out of school hours – please ring

07835931915 to inform school of POSITIVE TEST RESULTS ONLY.

We advise that you contact school immediately and request that parents do not post test information publicly on social media. Whilst it is highly unlikely that Newham Bridge will close completely. The new government guidance recommends that Schools where possible, are to remain open, closing only affected zones/bubbles. We do appreciate this has a huge impact on families.

Should the local health board close our school, or part of our school, provision will be made for key worker/vulnerable pupils and education is to continue, with your support, using our home learning site <http://bit.ly/nbremote>. The site will be the daily source of pupil's work for completion at home in their lockdown books. The books have been handed out to the children - **ONLY TO BE USED IN THE EVENT OF A LOCKDOWN.**

MASKS, SOCIAL DISTANCING AND ONE WAY SYSTEM

Please wear a mask on site. Socially distance 2m from other households/families and follow the one-way system. Thank you!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you child or a member of your household display any symptoms of coronavirus

- **A high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- **A new, continuous cough** – coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – your child cannot smell/taste anything, or things smell /taste different

As Parents/ Carers you MUST to be ready and willing to:

- [book a test](#). Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their Parents/Carers if using a home testing kit
- provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- [self-isolate](#) if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)
- Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test. Tests can be booked through the NHS [testing and tracing for coronavirus website](#), or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Essential workers, which includes anyone involved in education or childcare, have priority access to testing.

We aim to do everything possible and practicable in school to enable our children to be safe, enjoy their time in school, develop their skills and make progress to achieve their best! We appreciate your support and patience with the current situation 😊

We hope you enjoy your weekend!

Regards

B Hewitt-Best

QUICK REFERENCE

M	Y1/2 ES, Y1/2HL
T	Y3/4 HH, Y3/4 ZHi
W	Y3/4 SB, Y6 EH, Y6 ZHo
Th	Y5 JR, Y5 CR
F	Y2 NS

NURSERY: AM SESSION START 8.30am – 11.15am FINISH
PM SESSION START 12.15pm – 3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 1: RECEPTION CLASS: START 8.45am –2.45pm FINISH
ZONE 2: Key Stage 1: Year 1/ Year 2: START 8.30am – 3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 3: Lower Key Stage 2: Year 3 /Year 4: START 8.40am – 3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 4: Upper Key Stage 2: Year 5/ Year 6: START 8.40am – 3.15pm FINISH