

Newsletter ~ 1.4.2021



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Happy Easter ! We break up for Easter Holidays today Thursday 1 April and return to school on **Monday 19 April 2021**

Message from Mr Lamorte - Head of School



Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't quite believe that it is Easter already. This term has flown by and I know that we are all looking forward to the summer term, and with a little luck, some sunshine! Just a few important reminders from me please.

1. Please don't park, stop or wait on the Zig-Zag lines outside school during drop off or pick up, as it puts our children at risk of harm. Since writing about it in the last newsletter, only last week, we have seen at least four cars park on them. **I am meeting with the Police after Easter to see how they can support us to keep children safe, as they arrive at / leave from school each day.**
2. Please remember to encourage your children to read over the holiday as this will really help them, on their return.
3. Please remember that if your child receives a positive Covid test over Easter, e-mail school on Covid@wychall.drbigitemat.org¹ as soon as possible.
4. School is closed tomorrow Friday 2nd April, as it is a bank holiday.
5. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 19th April 2021.

¹<mailto:Covid@wychall.drbigitemat.org>

All it leaves me to do is to wish you a safe and peaceful Easter holiday and to try not to eat too much chocolate!

PE days

PE Timetable	
Class	Day
Nursery	Thursday
R1	Tuesday
R2	Wednesday
T1	Wednesday & Thursday
T2	Wednesday & Thursday
T3	Thursday & Friday
T4	Monday & Thursday
T5	Tuesday & Friday
T6	Tuesday & Friday
T7	Monday & Friday
T8	Wednesday & Thursday
T9	Monday & Friday
T10	Monday & Friday
T11	Monday & Thursday
T12	Tuesday & Wednesday



The winners for the Spring half-term are:

Y1 - William Y2 - Maya Y3 - Neitonas Y4 - Valonia Y5 - Owen Y6 - Emmanuel

Congratulations to them all!

Before & After School Clubs

Texts have been sent out to confirm places on our clubs for next term. If your child has not had a text then they will be on the waiting list.

Before school clubs - please ensure your child is at the main gate on time at **8.20am**

Afterschool clubs - please collect your child promptly at **4.15pm**

Please ensure your child is wearing their PE Kit and bring a named water bottle. Please also remove any jewellery - thanks

Free Money Advise services

See the flyer for full details



Free Money Advice Services

These are difficult times financially for many individuals and families:

- Do you need advice on your entitlement to welfare benefit?
- Do you have debts & need help managing your money?

If so, please do not hesitate to seek help, advice and support from accredited organisations acting on behalf of Birmingham City Council

Confidential advice is available over the telephone from qualified advisors and without any charge whatsoever to Birmingham residents.



Please call the advice provider for the constituency or area nearest to where you live:-

North Birmingham: Sutton, Erdington, Sighthill	Spitfire Advice Services: Tel: 0121 747 5932
South Birmingham: Edgbaston, Selly Oak, Northfield	Citizens Advice Birmingham: Tel: 0344 477 1010
East Birmingham: Hodge Hill, Yardley, Hall Green	Citizens Advice Birmingham: Tel: 0344 477 1010
West & Central Birmingham: Ladywood & Ferry Barr	Birmingham Settlement: Tel: 0121 250 0765

Alternatively, contact Birmingham City Council's Contact Centre for a range of advice (welfare benefits, council tax, housing & more) on 0121 216 3030.

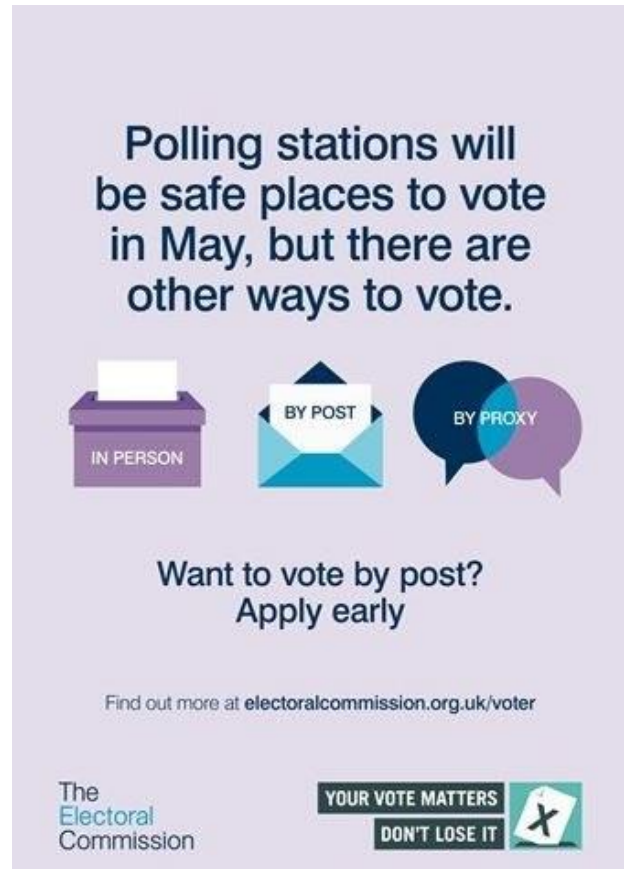
DON'T WAIT FOR A SMALL PROBLEM TO BECOME A BIG ONE - CALL TODAY. *

* (Most advice providers operate between 10am & 4pm, Monday to Friday only, at times, external advice services beyond these core hours.)

Polling stations will be open in May but why not consider an alternative way to vote.....

The deadline to apply for a postal vote for the elections on 6 May 2021 is 5pm on Tuesday 20 April. You must also be registered to vote by midnight on Monday 19 April.



Wigwam - Before & After School care

Places available at Wigwam

With a new term comes new spaces at Wigwam Before and After School club. For both the mornings and the afternoons we provide a healthy breakfast / snack and a room full of entertainment. In the afternoons particularly, we offer a safe space in which the children can engage in various craft and baking activities. For more details please feel free to drop Mark and Sarah an email at: wigwam@bright-kids.co.uk² or pop by after the morning drop off at the top of the Staple Lodge Rd Ramp entrance. Please be aware that spaces are limited and will be provided at a first come first served basis.

Holiday Clubs April 2021

From the 6th to the 16th April come join us at our Wigwam Holiday Club for two weeks of fun!

Week One (6th-9th April) - EASTER/SPRING theme

²<mailto:wigwam@bright-kids.co.uk>

with particular focus on the New Life of Spring and our Spring Sports extravaganza. We will be crafting various items around the Easter/Spring theme including Spring Plant pots, Baking, Easter baskets and finger painting. Other activities will include an Easter Egg hunt and a Spring Themed 'Sports Day'

Week Two (12th-16th April) - MEDIEVAL theme

will touch upon the whimsy of Medieval Fantasy, with us becoming Knights and Ladies, Kings and Queens in the Wigwam Castle ramparts. Remember to watch out for the fire Breathing Foe! We will be making Crowns, Tiaras, Shields and Princess hats. Crafting models out of Royal Icing, a Front Door Castle and a large creature to watch over the Medieval ball.

Contact Mark or Sarah - details as above



Safeguarding



All children are required to be back in school from Monday 8th March 2021.

Safeguarding:

During this time, some children in the community will count heavily on neighbours to look out for them and keep them safe. If you are concerned about a child, please contact one of the following organisations in confidence to report your concerns:

- Birmingham Children's Trust (CASS) - 0121 303 1888 option 2, option 2
- NSPCC - Tel: 0808 800 5000, report online at <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/report/>³
- or email NSPCC directly at help@nspcc.org.uk
- Police - If a child is in immediate danger, please dial 999

It is normal to feel anxious, nervous or unsure about getting in touch with the agencies above but please be assured that the agencies are there to help and take that worry from you. Letting us or an agency know that you're worried about a child could be the first step to helping protect them from a lifetime of abuse and neglect.

Childhood Mental Health:

We know that during this period of further uncertainty, both child and adult mental health can be affected.

We have therefore included some links below of agencies that can provide some emotional support for you and your child, if needed, during this time.

Childline: <https://www.childline.org.uk/>⁴

Forward Thinking Birmingham/PAUSE: <https://www.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk/services/13-pause/>⁵

The Children's Society: <https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/see-hear-respond/>⁶

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/information/young-people/well-being/resources/>⁷

³<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nspcc.org.uk%2Fkeeping-children-safe%2Freporting-abuse%2Freport%2F&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308796429|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=ZKr1rOjXQm5x0ZVelkVurdf0O5Qj%2BYZqM5qSq6SdOYw%3D&reserved=0>

⁴<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.childline.org.uk%2F&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308806387|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=qBB62BQjzoP8qI%2FIP7RH9GSWrF0aBG5ZaMoSmb6PjiY%3D&reserved=0>

⁵<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk%2Fservices%2F13-pause&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308806387|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=F9HO7QwLP2AP4NY15DH6WuwkCtSVGvc%2BSynoUupd9E0%3D&reserved=0>

⁶<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.childrensociety.org.uk%2Fsee-hear-respond&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308816340|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=PJjiSHGuLp2647byDX3Ttlm0bKwc8PurYtdw28IOEXY%3D&reserved=0>

Mind:https://www.mind.org.uk/donate/?gclid=CjwKCAiAI4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5__7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzgQAvD_BwE⁸

Samaritans: <https://www.samaritans.org/how-we-can-help/contact-samaritan/>⁹

If you would like to speak to someone in school regarding which service you feel would be beneficial to you, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.



Please see a letter from Hayley Eaton, Safeguarding Lead, regarding online safety on our school website. The letter can be found in the Key Information section.

Contact Us

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⁷<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.childrenguardians.org.uk%2Finformation%2Fyoung-people%2Fwell-being%2Fresources&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308816340|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=0AaohrlVqyUTEsn4tTzBSgAbFA37%2FbLb0Szxmx1kmw%3D&reserved=0>

⁸https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mind.org.uk%2Fdonate%2F%3Fgclid%3DCjwKCAiAI4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5__7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzgQAvD_BwE&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308826298|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=c8VgRAUXs%2FvIKYJzQxzSyYKd9VjAFMYfHopsD%2BvIA0o%3D&reserved=0

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⁹<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.samaritans.org%2Fhow-we-can-help%2Fcontact-samaritan%2F&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308826298|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiv2luMzliLCJBTiI6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=3UmPhJlffBBlGM5Y6mr3eVUUFUpblHhQCJb7kaYzOM%3D&reserved=0>

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Website: Wychall Primary School¹⁰

¹⁰<http://www.wychall.bham.sch.uk>