

# Newsletter ~ 2.7.2021



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Message from Mr Lamorte - Head of School



Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a busy week for us here in school as we had to reorganise and reshuffle things in light of the bubble closures for Years 2 and 3. I have been extremely impressed with the way the teams within school have worked together to ensure parents and carers have received key information swiftly, to

ensure we minimised any potential spread of CV19. The move to remote learning was completed quickly by the teaching teams in Y2 and Y3, to ensure children had quality resources to continue their learning at home. I would like to express my thanks to everyone for all they are doing, in difficult circumstances.

As always, school has been a hive of activity in recent weeks. The photographer was in to take photos of the children, in a Covid secure way. It took a little longer than usual but it went well and the photographs should be with you soon. We've also had some photos taken for our new school website which we are hoping to launch over the summer / early in new academic year. The website is something we have been hoping to develop for a long while, and we're really looking forward its launch in the coming months. Please keep an eye out for that!

There's only 12 more school days until we break up for the summer, as the last day for the children will be on Tuesday 20th July. Wishing you all a lovely weekend and wishing all the best of luck to the England team who are playing on Saturday.

## Dropping off and collecting children



Can we please ask all parents and carers to take care in the mornings and at home times when dropping off or collecting your children - the roads get very busy around school. PLEASE park with consideration and don't double park or stop on the yellow zig-zags. Thank you.

## Summer holiday dates



Last day of term for children is **TUESDAY 20 JULY 2021** (Teacher training day Wednesday 21 July 2021) and children return on **MONDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2021** (Thursday 2 & Friday 3 September 2021 also Teacher training days)

Nursery and Reception classes in September 2021.



Please complete and send back any forms and documents required ~ thank you

## Universal Infant Free School Meal Scheme



Letters have been sent out to parents of those children who will be in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 to from September 2021.

It contains information to confirm that from September 2021 the Scheme will provide either a hot meal or a packed lunch and will be **compulsory for all Reception and Key Stage one (Years 1 & 2) pupils**

Reminder - NO bubble gum, chewing gum or sweets should be brought into school - thank you

From September 2021 Wychall will be a CASHLESS school.



ALL money for toast, dinners, trips etc will be paid through parent pay. If you don't already have an account please contact the school office and we can set you up. There will be more information sent out soon.

Important please do not send ***any food items containing nuts*** into school - such as peanut butter sandwiches. A copy of our nut policy is shown below.



## Chartwells Schools Nut Policy

- I. Chartwells will never use nuts or any product containing nuts as an ingredient within our food offer in schools.
- II. Occasionally Chartwells may carefully use products with a 'may contain' declaration for nuts, as long as no nuts are present in the ingredient list.
- III. If used, any 'May contain nuts' ingredients will be clearly identified on Allergen Reports in line with the Food Information Regulations.
- IV. Pupils with a nut allergy/allergies should request a medical diet menu which will remove any 'may contain nuts' products, if used, from their menu.
- V. If no ingredients with a 'may contains nuts' declaration are used on a school menu then a nut free medical diet menu is not required. In this instance, pupils with a nut allergy will be advised that they can eat from the main school menu.

*Please note:*

Chartwells do not endorse a completely 'no nuts' environment as we believe we have a duty of care to educate our pupils and staff on how to handle and manage their food allergy(ies) safely in the school environment.

This advice is consistent with external governing bodies and charities who state that a completely 'nut free' environment is artificial and can provide pupils with a false sense of security.

However, where a school-directed 'no nut' policy applies, Chartwells will support and comply and will not use any 'may contain nuts' ingredients.

**For further information please contact the Chartwells medical diets team:** [chartwells.medicaldiets@compass-group.co.uk](mailto:chartwells.medicaldiets@compass-group.co.uk)

Please **do not** bring your own hand sanitisers into school - some children may be allergic to certain ingredients ~ thank you.

PE days

Class	Day
Nursery	Thursday
RD	Tuesday
RS	Wednesday
TM	Wednesday & Thursday
1W	Wednesday Thursday
2L	Thursday & Friday
2F	Monday & Thursday
3B	Tuesday & Friday
3R	Tuesday & Friday
4B	Monday & Friday
4F	Wednesday & Thursday
5M	Monday & Friday
5W	Monday & Friday
6C	Monday & Thursday
6R	Tuesday & Wednesday

## Safeguarding



### **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/><sup>1</sup>
- or email NSPCC directly at [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto: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.

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<sup>1</sup><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|TWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=ZKr1rOjXQm5x0ZVelkVurdf0O5Qj%2BYZqM5qSq6SdOYw%3D&reserved=0>



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/><sup>2</sup>

**Forward Thinking Birmingham/PAUSE:** <https://www.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk/services/13-pause><sup>3</sup>

**The Children's Society:** <https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/see-hear-respond><sup>4</sup>

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/information/young-people/well-being/resources><sup>5</sup>

**Mind:** [https://www.mind.org.uk/donate/?gclid=CjwKCAiAl4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5\\_\\_7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj\\_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzGQAvD\\_BwE](https://www.mind.org.uk/donate/?gclid=CjwKCAiAl4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5__7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzGQAvD_BwE)<sup>6</sup>

**Samaritans:** <https://www.samaritans.org/how-we-can-help/contact-samaritan/><sup>7</sup>

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.

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<sup>2</sup><https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.childline.org.uk%2F&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308806387|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=BB62BQjzoP8qI%2FIP7RH9GSWrF0aBG5ZaMoSmb6PJiY%3D&reserved=0>

<sup>3</sup><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|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=F9H07QwLP2AP4NY15DH6WuwkCtSVGVc%2BSynoUupd9E0%3D&reserved=0>

<sup>4</sup><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|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=PJjiSHGuLp2647byDX3Ttlm0bKwc8PurYtdw28IOEXY%3D&reserved=0>

<sup>5</sup><https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.childrensociety.org.uk%2Finformation%2Fyoung-people%2Fwell-being%2Fresources&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308816340|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=0AaohrlVqyUTeSn4tTzBSgAbFA37%2FbLb0Szxmx1kmw%3D&reserved=0>

<sup>6</sup>[https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mind.org.uk%2Fdonate%2F%3Fgclid%3DCjwKCAiAl4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5\\_\\_7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj\\_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzGQAvD\\_BwE&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308826298|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=c8VgRAUXs%2FvIKYJzQxzSyYKd9VjAFMYfHopsD%2BvIA0o%3D&reserved=0](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mind.org.uk%2Fdonate%2F%3Fgclid%3DCjwKCAiAl4WABhAJEiwATUnEF52WLN2HWoz0uF0bOt5__7RUMTT0TdYpqvwVj_TJp6oN8iLyB-l7xBoCwzGQAvD_BwE&data=04|01||8da0f8f981de4090c29a08d8b9554de4|1a970741c0da436893693ba2f5922acb|0|0|637463123308826298|Unknown|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=c8VgRAUXs%2FvIKYJzQxzSyYKd9VjAFMYfHopsD%2BvIA0o%3D&reserved=0)

<sup>7</sup><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|TWfPbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6I6k1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D|1000&sdata=3UmPhJloffbBIGM5Y6mr3eVUUFUpblHhQCjB7kaYzOM%3D&reserved=0>



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.

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