



Weekly Update

Friday 9th October

Communications Round-up

Please check you have read these important messages and taken action as required.

Term Dates 2020-21

Letter sent home detailing our term dates and inset days for 2020-21.

Google Classroom

We still have some parents who have not responded to the access request for Google Classroom. If you have not yet done so, please access the form [here](#).

This will be the main platform we will be utilising in order to continue the children's education as uninterrupted as possible, whatever the next few months may hold.

Copies of all our letters can be found on our website [here](#). If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school office.

Wellbeing Update

The children are very settled into their classes and routines, but we do recognise that some may still be struggling with anxious or confused feelings.

Please do remember that if you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing, we are here to support them and you!

You can get in touch with your child's class teacher via the school office.

GREAT Ways to be Prepared

As things continually change over the coming months, it is essential that we prepare for any disruptions that we may have to overcome.

As a school, we have contingency plans that will enable us to continue to provide the best possible educational support for all our pupils, whether they are in school or isolating at home.

As parents and carers, there are things you can do to make sure you are prepared, if there is again a need for children to work remotely.

Things to consider:

1. Have you responded to the access request for Google Classroom? We need a response for each child in school.
2. Does your child have use of a laptop or tablet so they are able to access online learning resources?

If we are all as prepared as we can be for changes that may occur around us due to Covid-19, we can minimise any further impact on our children's education.

After School and Morning Club

Remember that spaces must be booked for our childcare provision giving at least 48 hours' notice as places are limited.

Any questions or amendments to booked sessions can be emailed to Mrs Wise at ghpsasc@maidenerleghtrust.org

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Keeping our Community Safe

Please remember to **keep areas around our school clear and not congregate in groups** near the school gates. This makes it difficult for other members of our school community and local residents to continue to access the area in safely distanced manner. The **areas around the library and the start of the shopping centre, near the Indian restaurant** are becoming particularly busy and difficult to pass safely. We must all keep to the social distancing guidance for everyone's safety and wellbeing.

Covid-19 Updates

It is essential that if you, your child or anyone else in your household have symptoms of COVID-19 you must:

- **Not come in to school**
- **Get tested immediately**
- **Everyone in your household must stay at home.**

Tests can be arranged via the following link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/> - do keep trying as the service is very busy.

Please wear a mask or face covering when coming into our main school reception.



Message from the School Nursing Team



The School Nursing team in Berkshire Healthcare is here to support the health and wellbeing of school-aged children and young people who attend state-maintained schools, free schools and academy schools in Bracknell, Wokingham, Reading and West Berkshire as well as those who are home-educated.

Please click [this link](#) for a message from the School Nursing Team:

In June this year a telephone support line was set up as an additional service so that children, young people and their families could still access health advice, support and signposting from the school nurse. Although initially a response to the Covid pandemic, this initiative has proved popular and in response to feedback from our service users is planned to continue. Following the initial call, if it is felt necessary by the caller and nurse, a referral into our service is made to offer ongoing targeted support. Since the launch of this new initiative, we have received an increasing number of calls as awareness of the line has improved.

Currently parents/carers have mainly been calling the service requesting advice and support with a whole range of health concerns. We will again be promoting the service further to young people, year 9 and above, in secondary schools so they are also aware how to access this valuable support by speaking to a School Nurse directly.

If you wish to discuss a health concern of a school aged child/young person please call us.

0118 9312111 select 'Option 4' to speak to a School Nurse from our team.

The line is available from 9am-4.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Further advice and support on the health and development of children and young people can be found by accessing [Berkshire Healthcare's School Nursing web-pages](#)

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