

# Baylis Court Nursery School Newsletter

October 2020



Dear parents and carers

A warm welcome to the new children and parents who have joined us this term. We also welcome back children and parents who have returned to nursery this term. We really missed you since the nursery had to close at the end of March. We hope your child has settled to nursery school life and is enjoying their time here.

I would like to thank you for your patience and adapting to our new ways of working here at the nursery. In particular when you bring your child to nursery and when you collect them. You have been brilliant - please keep to the staggered drop off / pick up times for your child's group (see below) as we aim to minimise the number of parents/carers arriving at the nursery site at any one time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email: [post@baylis-nursery.slough.sch.uk](mailto:post@baylis-nursery.slough.sch.uk) or telephone: 01753 521917



## NURSERY TIMES

### PROMPT ARRIVAL FOR START AND PICK UP AT THE END OF SESSIONS

Please make every effort to bring your child to nursery on time at the very start of the session.

GROUP	MORNING TIMES	AFTERNOON TIMES
FROG GROUP	8.30 am - 11.30 am	12.30 pm - 3.30 pm
BUTTERFLY GROUP	8.30 am - 11.30 am	12.30 pm - 3.30 pm
DRAGONFLY GROUP	8.35 am - 11.35 am	12.35 pm - 3.35 pm
DUCK GROUP	8.40 am - 11.40 am	12.40 pm - 3.40 pm

The start of the session times are very important for the children as this is a time when they get to say hello to friends and teaching staff before they get really involved in their play.

Prompt collection at the end of the session is equally important as children can become a little upset when they see their friends leave whilst they remain.

## CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS

Reminder that the main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **A high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **A new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in twenty four hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things taste or smell different to normal.

**Most people with coronavirus have at least one of these symptoms.**

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAVE SYMPTOMS

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result - only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

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In addition to being aware of coronavirus symptoms, young children also have coughs, colds and other illnesses. Please follow the guidance below. If you are unsure about whether your child is displaying coronavirus symptoms or has another illness further advice is available for the NHS website by clicking [HERE](#)

## COUGHS, COLDS AND CHILDHOOD ILLNESS



Remember to inform the nursery if your child is absent due to illness. **Telephone: 01753 521917.** Please keep your child at home if he or she is unwell as the nursery environment is a very busy environment and is not the ideal place to be with a cough/cold or a headache. **If your child has had vomiting and diarrhoea, it is important that they remain away from school at least 48 hours after their last bout of illness (vomit or diarrhoea).**

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Please find links below for information which you will find useful during this period of the Coronavirus outbreak. These links are also available on our school website: [www.bayliscourt nurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.bayliscourt nurseryschool.co.uk)

1. [What Parents and Carers Need to Know About Early Years Providers, Schools and Colleges During the Coronavirus Covid-19 Outbreak](#)
2. [NHS test and trace letter to parents and guardians, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020.](#)
3. [Guidance for Parents and Carers on Supporting Children and Young People's Mental Health and Wellbeing During the Coronavirus \(Covid-19\) Pandemic](#)
4. [Guidance on Looking After your Own Mental Health and Wellbeing During the Coronavirus \(Covid-19\) Pandemic](#)
5. [Every Mind Matters for Clear Advice and Actions to Take Care of Your Own Mental Health and Wellbeing](#)



**HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES and COATS** - please remember that as the weather is starting to get cold, bring your child to school in appropriate clothing. We deliver play activities for outdoors as well as indoors and encourage children to use both areas. It is also very helpful if you can write your child's name in each article of clothing so it goes back to the right child at the end of the session. Many of our activities are outside at present and we have doors and windows open in the classrooms to ensure there is a free flow of air.

## PARENTMAIL - School to home text message contact details

Please remember sign up for this service and update your account if there are any changes to your contact details. Please contact the school office (01753 521917) if you are having difficulty registering for this service.

## HOME LEARNING

Please find a link to the front page of our website to the Home Learning Parent Portal [www.bayliscourt nurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.bayliscourt nurseryschool.co.uk). The portal has many ideas and suggestions for you to enjoy with your child. We will always add to this portal, so please check back regularly. We will refer you to this portal should the

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nursery need to close at very short notice and when you are advised to keep your child at home during the Coronavirus pandemic.

**KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE**

Please see the Online Safety portal on our website, [www.bayliscourtnurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.bayliscourtnurseryschool.co.uk) for information on keeping your child safe online when you are using the internet together.

**DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2020**

**FRIDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER: CHILDREN IN SCHOOL FOR LAST DAY OF HALF TERM**

**MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER - 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER SCHOOL CLOSED for HALF TERM**

**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING DAY**

**TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER: CHILDREN RETURN TO NURSERY**

**FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER: LAST DAY OF TERM**

Thank you for your help and support as always.

Best wishes

Mr Gregory

Head Teacher