



# Bevendean Primary School and Nursery

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## September 2020 Issue No: 1

Dear parents / carers,

Welcome back to the new school year! It's really great to see all children and adults back at school from Monday 7th September, 2020. We are all just amazed at how quickly children have settled back into school; in their new classrooms with their new teachers. Their ability to transition back into their old school routines is astonishing and we are so proud of them all. As we progress through the weeks of the first half-term, children may tire more quickly until they adjust, so plenty of early nights!

My first assembly back, on Monday 7th September was a PowerPoint presentation which teachers shared with children. There are some changes to school systems and procedures, but many things remain the same. Children again need to be congratulated for the way they have responded to these changes!

Morning drop-off at school is slightly different. Children go straight into their classroom once they arrive in the playground. This is to give them time to hang their bags and coats up, and wash / sanitise their hands. Parents / carers, please leave the playground as soon as possible.

At the end of the school day, parents / carers are to assemble in the playground/s observing social distancing, and wait for your child to be brought on to the playground.

We do request that parents / carers do not congregate in the playground at either point in the school day. Please leave promptly. There is NO use of the school play equipment in either playground at the end of the day - parents / carers, please supervise your younger children.

During this period, it is essential that parents / carers and all members of a child's household are strictly following the Government guidance (<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>). Please go to the GOV.UK website and read this guidance to ensure that protective measures put in place by the school are not compromised.

Monday - Thursday this week, there were only three children who arrived late for school; everyone else was on time, fantastic, please keep this up! More than ever, it is essential that children arrive at school by 8.45am and are in the playground before the gates are locked. Late children to school cannot enter via the main office as we do not wish for children from different bubbles to mix! Parents / carers - your understanding and support with this is acknowledged and much appreciated.

Please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle on a daily basis due to the limited availability of water fountains.

### Children in Year 5 & 6 (only)

Children in Year 5 & 6 might be considered responsible enough to walk to and from school alone. If you wish for your child in Year 5 or 6 to walk home unaccompanied, you must complete the 'Permission to Walk Home Alone Unaccompanied' & 'Travelling Alone Request Form' which are part of the Travelling To and From School Policy. Copies of this can be downloaded from the website (Parents / Policies) and returned to school, or please see your child's class teacher who can provide you with a copy also.

To all parents / carers, please also ensure you read the 'Collecting Children from School Policy (Parents / Policies)'. No one under the age of 16 years is able to collect a child from school.



There have been a few small changes to staff this year. We welcomed Mr Green as our new Premises Manager in the Summer term. We welcome Miss Uchi and Mrs Crawley who are new Midday Supervisory Assistants, along with Miss Tucker and Miss Newman as new teachers in Year 3 and 5 respectively. Below is a list of where all adults in the school will be working this year.

## Senior Leadership Team

Miss Corsini: English Lead Teacher

### Classroom Based Staff

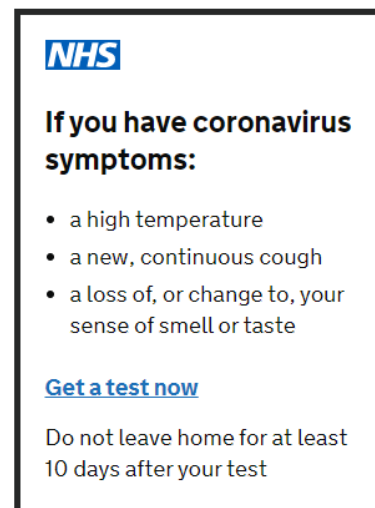
- Nursery: Mrs Hope, Mrs Clay, Mrs James
- Reception: RW: Miss Wiseman & Miss James                      - RB: Miss Barnett, Miss Butterfield & Miss Miskin
- Year 1: Miss Jones, Mrs King (1JK); Mr Kirkwood (1K) - Mrs Henderson and Miss Girling
- Year 2: Mr Dunk (2D); Miss Corsini (2C) - Mrs Essex and Mrs Gardner
- Year 3: Mr Omoyinmi (3O); Miss Tucker (3T) - Mrs Strange, Miss Cohen, Mrs Soraghan                      - Reading Support: Mrs Cullen
- Year 4: Miss Winks (4WI); Miss Walker (4WA) - Mrs Staines, Mrs Soraghan
- Year 5: Miss Timms (5T); Miss Newman (5N) - Miss Daniels & Miss Williams, Miss Boella-North
- Year 6: Miss Miller (6M); Miss O'Neill (6O) - Miss Vaughan, Mrs Young, Mrs Brazier, Miss Scott, Mrs Hosmer
- Launch Pad: Miss Davis & Miss Pound (Lead Teachers), Mrs Hindle, Mrs Marchant, Miss Wilcock, Miss Goodsell, Mrs Kibria, Mrs Burt, Mr Riley, Miss Farias, Miss Hudson
- Office Admin: Mrs Hammond: School Business Manager, Ms Munn-Demangel, Mrs Durn, Miss Harman, Mrs Brazier (attendance)
- Premises: Mr Green (Premises Manager), Mrs Jellicoe (Assistant Caretaker) Cleaners: Mrs Anscombe, Miss Anscombe, Mrs Rewell, Mr Davenport
- Learning Mentors: Mrs Soudain (Senior Learning Mentor), Mrs Verduyn, Mrs Muirhead, Miss Pinnell
- Midday Meal Supervisors: Miss Vaughan & Mrs Girling (Principal MDSA), Mrs Soudain, Mrs Soraghan, Mrs Young, Miss Williams, Miss Boella-North, Mrs Verduyn, Miss Pinnell, Mrs Muirhead, Miss Tester, Miss Uchi, Mrs James, Mrs Rewel, Mrs Crawley, Ms Gilmar-tin

## Summer Works

We have again had some work take place in the school over the Summer break. Four more smart TVs were installed; roofing and lighting have been replaced in the library corridor; and major drainage works are taking place along the Year 3 & 4 corridor - this is due to be completed in a week or two.

## Volunteers in School!

If you are interested in being a volunteer in school, please email [admin@bevendean.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bevendean.brighton-hove.sch.uk) by Friday 18th September. This would hopefully involve listening to children read, supporting with key skills / times tables. Please contact us for an application.



## Communication from School

eSchools is the company that manages our school website. Parents can download the eSchools App (both Apple App Store and Android Play Store) and within the App, parents / carers receive free notifications (messages / updates) from the school. I urge all parents / carers, who currently do not have or use this App, to download it and obtain a log-in from the school office. Notifications from the school also get sent to parents / carers email addresses - please ensure we have your most up-to-date email too! In the next few weeks, you will be sent home the annual 'Data Collection & Privacy Notice' documents to complete and return to school. Please ensure these are completed and returned as a matter of urgency.



## School Name Change

You may have noticed that we have a new school sign (Heath Hill Avenue - 2nd sign still to be erected). We have now included 'and Nursery' to the school name so we are now: Bevendean Primary School and Nursery!

## House Captains and Vice Captains

We have selected (always a very challenging process) new House Captains and Vice Captains for this school year. Congratulations to all of you!



House Lead: Miss Corsini  
Captain: Leah  
Vice Captain: Ellis & Leighton



House Lead: Miss Barnett  
Captain: Charlie P  
Vice Captain: Tiffany & Gracie-Kay



House Lead: Miss Miller  
Captain: Chelsea  
Vice Captain: Eva & Jack



House Lead: Mr Dally  
Captain: Kayden  
Vice Captain: Olivia & Jess

## Free School Meals

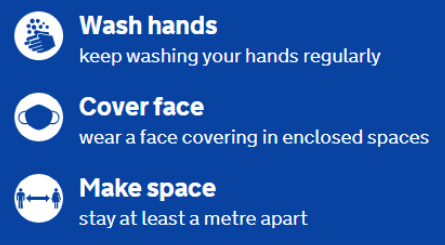
If you are in receipt of one of the benefits listed below, your child might be eligible for a Free School Meal. If so, then please either contact the school for an Application Form OR complete it online. Please access via the school website (Parents / Free School Meals) or the following link: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/children-and-education/schools/free-school-meals>. It is really important that all eligible children are registered.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment & Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit \* see note on website
- Universal Credit \* see note on website
- Working Tax Credit

## COVID-19: School Update

On Wednesday 9th September, the Government announced upcoming changes to simplify restrictions and ensure the virus is controlled. These new restrictions will be set out in the law and the police and other enforcement officers will be able to issue penalties for those that don't comply.

**'From Monday 14 September, you must not meet with people from other households socially in groups of more than 6. This will apply indoors and outdoors, including in private homes. This change will simplify and clarify the rules on social gatherings, so they are easier to understand and easier for the police to enforce. There will be a limited number of exemptions. COVID-19 Secure venues, such as places of worship, restaurants and hospitality venues, can still host larger numbers in total but groups of up to 6 must not mix or form larger groups. This rule will not apply to individual households or support bubbles of more than 6 who will still be able to gather together. Education and work settings are unaffected, and organised team sports will still be able to proceed, as will weddings and funerals up to 30. From Monday, this limit will be enforceable in law. See refreshed guidance on social contact, including the exceptions to the 6 person limit.'**



There are three simple actions we must ALL do to keep on protecting each other