

Newsletter Friday 25th September 2020



Return of Hot Meals

The trial of hot meals at lunchtime to the whole school went well this week and will now continue. Could we please remind parents that if your child would like a school meal (including FSM) that they are booked in advance using your Scopay account. Yesterday the school office sent out reminder letters to all those who have yet to create their account. Scopay will also be used for payments for trips in the future, so it is worth setting your account up now even if you do not have school meals. The cost of a school meal is £2.25 per day or £11.25 per week. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Rogan or email using parent@bjs.rbksch.org



Packed Lunches

We have noticed an increase in sugary drinks such as Fruit Shoots, Caprisun, Yazoo milkshakes along with chocolate chip cakes and bars in packed lunches. Please do not include chocolate in your child's lunch, perhaps change it for a piece of fruit?

Parents do not need to provide drinks for their children as we provide water for everyone at lunch time.



NHS Test and Trace

One important part of ensuring the safety and wellbeing of pupils, parents and our communities is testing for Coronavirus. The NHS have a duty to make sure that the right people have access to get tested at the right time. Every time a test is used inappropriately, a person with Covi-19 symptoms may miss out on getting tested. Therefore the NHS are asking to follow these principles:-

You should **ONLY** book a test if your child has any of these three Coronavirus symptoms:-

A high temperature- a new high temperature where the child feels hot to touch on their chest or back.

A new continuous cough - coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.

A loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste - loss of taste and smell that is different to normal.

Your child **does not need** a test if they have a runny nose, are sneezing or feeling unwell but do not have a temperature, cough or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste because these are not symptoms of Covid. - your child may still go to school.

If you are unsure about whether to get a test please check the official list of symptoms on the NHS website

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Protect your loved ones. Download the app.

The new NHS COVID-19 app, now available to download for free in England and Wales, is the fastest way to see if you're at risk from coronavirus. The faster you know, the quicker you can alert and protect your loved ones and community. The app has a number of tools to protect you, including contact tracing, local area alerts and venue check-in. For more information please use the link below.

<https://covid19.nhs.uk/pdf/introducing-the-app.pdf>



Year 3 Collection

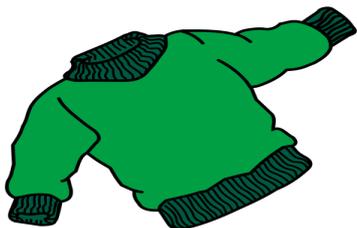
Year 3 class teachers will now be dismissing their classes at 3.15pm each day. Children were being let out slightly earlier whilst the teachers got to know family members who collected. We would also ask that you do not arrive any earlier than 3.10pm as we are trying to avoid mass gatherings at the gates and adhere to social distancing measures.



Individual School Photograph Wednesday 21st October

Due to “bubble” restrictions this year we are unable to offer sibling photographs with infant and nursery children. We will however make sure that siblings in the Juniors are photographed together during the school day. We hope to offer sibling photographs across both schools in the summer term if restrictions are lifted.

Please make sure your child comes to school in a clean smart uniform and their hair is tidy on the day. Thank you



School Jumpers

As the weather is cold and windy, we do still have to keep our classrooms ventilated by keeping all external doors and windows open. Please ensure your children come to school in jumpers/cardigans for the classroom and a warm coat for playtimes. Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's full name. Thank you.



Dangerous Parking

We have received a call from a local resident regarding parents parking at the beginning and the end of the school day. Some parents in our school community have been parking over drives and on the bends of junctions. They worry that parents are walking out into the roads because their view is obstructed, causing other road users to break hard or swerve out of their way. We kindly ask that if you bring your child to school by car that you do not park in the local roads and use the PC World car park where it is free for up to 2 hours. Thank you.

Have a lovely safe weekend
Best wishes
Mrs Pip Utting
Headteacher