



Newsletter

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School Update

Dear Parents,

This has turned out to be the strangest and one of the toughest school years for all of us, parents, children and staff. I think our school community has been amazing and has worked together to get through this very challenging time.

If you have decided to send your child back to school or if you have decided to keep them at home, I know you have made the right choice for you and your family. There is no right or wrong answer at the moment. We will continue to be here when you feel the time is right for your child to come back. If you would like to discuss anything with me before making a decision to come back, please do email or phone.

We have managed to organise for some home learning to continue for the moment for the Year R and Year 1 children. I cannot promise we will be able to keep it going but we will try our best to. The Year 2 home learning will continue in exactly the same way with Mrs Clayden and Mrs Hatchett being in regular email contact. We have also organised printing some packs of work which will be available at the school office if you need. I still continue to be amazed by what you are managing to do at home with your children. Do keep sending work through to me or the teachers, I will respond to as much as I can.

For those children in school they are settling back in really well. They are going to take a while to get used to the routine again and you may well find that they are absolutely exhausted for a week or so by Thursday or Friday. The children are all loving being in though and getting back to work. I have never seen children so happy to be doing activities like handwriting before!

No matter if your child is in school or at home if there is a way we can support you or if there is anything you need please just ask.

Take care.

Matt Greenhalgh
Headteacher

Thank you to our amazing kitchen staff

I just wanted to say a special thank you to all of the kitchen staff. Throughout this period, they have continued to not only provide meals for the children in school but also provide meals for families at home as well. They have worked through holidays and bank holidays to keep provisions going for us. It is no exaggeration to say that had they not done this the school would not have been able to open for children with Key Worker parents. I know that many parents really valued the daily walk up to school to pick up a packed lunch for their children. The kitchen staff have worked through very tough conditions, dealing with fluctuations in ingredients, having to change menus and meals at very short notice. Whatever they have faced though the children have all been fed and fed very well throughout this period. The entire kitchen team has been amazing!

Fire Safety Resources from Hampshire Fire and Rescue

At the moment Hampshire Fire and Rescue are unable to deliver their important safety messages face to face to children in schools across Hampshire. To overcome this barrier and support teachers and parents, they have created a new Home Learning resource hub on their website. <https://www.hantsfire.gov.uk/kidzone-and-schools/home-learning-resources/>

This has been launched to coincide with Child Safety Week <https://www.capt.org.uk/pages/category/child-safety-week>, this is packed full of educational resources such as challenges, project ideas, worksheets, games, e-books and more.

It's a great tool for both educating and entertaining children that can be used by parents to help keep young people safe.

Council leaders thank Hampshire's pupils and students

Hampshire County Council's Leader (Councillor Keith Mans) and Executive Member for Education and Skills (Councillor Roz Chadd) have been very keen to thank all of Hampshire's pupils and students for the part they have played in helping to prevent the spread of Coronavirus.

They have made a short film (under two minutes in length) in which they, personally, express their thanks to all the children of Hampshire.

We have been asked to pass this message on. Please see the link below if you would like to view this message.

<https://youtu.be/gE2mAYOvD4w>

Procedure if you do wish your child to return to school

If you do decide you would like your Year R or Year 1 child to come back to school please either phone the school or email the school at adminoffice@bordon-inf.hants.sch.uk

We are requesting a weeks notice, as we may need to open another room if numbers in a class reach 15. We may be able to fit you in if you let us know by the Wednesday morning at the latest, to start the following Monday.

Once we know you wish to return we will send you all the details of which teacher your child will have, the classroom they will be in and the procedure for dropping off and collecting.

Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs

Both Breakfast and Afterschool clubs are open. We are keeping them open to support parents getting back to work.

The same procedures will apply in the clubs as during the school day. Children will wash their hands when entering, before eating and when leaving the club. Staff will clean all surfaces and all equipment more regularly.

The price for both clubs will remain the same, £3.50 for breakfast and £6.50 for after school.

Due to government procedures and the Junior school risk assessment Junior children will not be able to attend.