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**Newsletter No.1**  
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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back! It has been a truly wonderful week with 99% attendance this week! It has been so lovely to have all the children back and they have settled back in to school as if they have never been away. An enormous thank you to all the staff who have worked so hard to make the start of term calm and welcoming for everyone.

The morning and afternoon staggered times are much calmer and less crowded than at the beginning of the week. Please abide by your times, and in particular do not drop children off early. We have to be really strict in managing this staggered entrance and exit in order to keep numbers to a minimum and keep everyone safe. Ultimately it is about ensuring that everyone, staff included, remain well and that the school remains open. Thank you for your co-operation in these strange times.

Please remember that the school car park is for staff and visitors only and parents are not able to park here. You will be challenged as it puts staff and children at risk.

**Learning from home, Autumn Term 2020**

Each week, in line with government requirements, we will be uploading our weekly planning to Padlet for you to access if your child is away from school because your family is isolating. There is no requirement for the work to be completed if your child is away from school because they are poorly. Each year groups' work can be accessed with the following links and any completed work can be emailed into school using the year group email. The planning will be available by Friday of the preceding week. If you would like a paper copy of the work, please contact the school office.

- Year 1 <https://padlet.com/year17/Bookmarks>
- Year 2 <https://padlet.com/year219/70gr5qjjqscw39hz>
- Year 3 <https://padlet.com/year339/Bookmarks>
- Year 4 <https://padlet.com/year440/Bookmarks>
- Year 5 <https://padlet.com/year5135/Bookmarks>
- Year 6 <https://padlet.com/year640/Bookmarks>

The online learning is in place for individual children and families having to isolate or in case of a local lockdown. It is not an alternative to coming to school. Attendance at school this term and on-going is a legal requirement.

**Communicating with the school and your child's teacher**

If you need to get an urgent message to school, please either telephone or email [office@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@billingshurstprimary.org.uk). If you have a non-urgent query or need to communicate with your child's teacher because you are isolating and learning from home, please contact them through the year group email:



[year6@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:year6@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)  
[year5@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:year5@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)  
[year4@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:year4@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)  
[year3@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:year3@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)  
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[year1@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:year1@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)  
[EYFS@billingshurstprimary.org.uk](mailto:EYFS@billingshurstprimary.org.uk)

### **Congratulations and thank you!**



Well done to Sarah Johncock, who successfully completed her sky dive to raise money for the BPSCA. No-one has ever gone to such extremes at BPS to raise money. Apparently, it was a fabulous experience and she would do it again in a heartbeat. Thank you Sarah – she raised £1561 for our school!

Have a good weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday and especially we look forward to our new Reception classes all starting together!

### **Free School Meals**

If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals please do contact the school office for a form to complete.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Williamson  
Headteacher

### **Letters Home This Week**

### **Dates for Diary**