



# New Bridge Nursery School Update Term 5



We have had a very busy but fun first couple of weeks back into nursery. We would like to welcome our new families that joined us and we hope you will be very happy with us.

## **School transitions** -

For those of you with children due to start school in September 2021 You must accept your child's place **by 30<sup>th</sup> April**. If you are having any difficulties, the school admissions team can be contacted on 0118 937 3777 (option 1) or you can also email [admissions@brighterfuturesforchildren.org](mailto:admissions@brighterfuturesforchildren.org). Please inform us if you have not accepted your allocated School.

As part of the preparations for the move to Primary School we have sent out invitations for partner schools to visit the nursery. This will enable them to meet the key persons and spend some time getting to know the children. Any visitors from these schools must follow our Covid risk assessment. We will let you know the dates of these visits once they are confirmed. As we are unable to meet as a group I have also attached a power point regarding transition to school. We have been asked by a couple of parents if we can share a list of which children will be going to school with their child. Please can you confirm that you are happy for this to happen by emailing [admin@newbridgenursery.reading.sch.uk](mailto:admin@newbridgenursery.reading.sch.uk) by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

## **USports activity sessions**

We have arranged for weekly sports coaching sessions for the children. These sessions are taking place in the garden and focus on agility, balance, coordination and speed. These are being held on a Thursday morning for this half of term and then on a Thursday afternoon next half term. The children will take in turns to join these sessions. We are sure the children will very much enjoy this opportunity. Please can we ask that children do not wear open toe shoes or sandals to nursery particularly on these days.

**Sun cream and sun hats** - if you haven't already, please supply a named bottle of sun cream and a hat for your child and apply cream before they arrive at nursery each day. We will continue to ensure the children have access to plenty of fluids and that they have shade in the gardens in the warmer weather Thank you

**Parent consultations** - As I am sure you will understand, that sadly we are still unable to have parents coming into nursery. In order to give you a brief update on how your child is getting on, Rainbow or Sunshine classes will be arranging a ten-minute telephone call with yourselves. These will take place during the weeks beginning 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May. We politely ask that you keep to the ten minutes for each child. This will enable us to chat with all families.

### Lateness and early pick ups

Can we ask that if you are going to arrive late with your child that you call to let us know and that you bring your child to reception. If you need to alter your collection time please arrange this with your child's key person. We ask that children are collected at certain times of the day in order to avoid disruption to the other children and teaching, you can collect early at the following times by prior arrangement and only if it is absolutely necessary. 11am and 2.30pm. Otherwise we ask that you collect at your child's usual time. Thank you.

### Covid symptoms-

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste - this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

### What to do if your child has symptoms

If your child has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19:

Get a PCR test (test that is sent to a lab) to check if they have COVID-19 as soon as possible [www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test](http://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test) or call 119 You, your child and anyone else you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get the test result - only leave your home to have the test.

Anyone in your childcare or support bubble should also stay at home if your child has been in close contact with them since their symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.

### Gentle reminder

Please wear a mask when in the queue to drop off or collect your child at nursery unless you are exempt. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Diary Dates**

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May Polling Day and staff training - Nursery is **Closed**
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May pyjama rama day - send your child to nursery in their PJs more details to follow.
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May Nursery is **Closed** for a training day
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June **Nursery is closed** for Half term
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June **Nursery is Closed** for a staff training day
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July will be our last day for the summer term.
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July Closed for Staff training
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July School summer holidays begin
- We re open to returning children on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September

Thank you for your continued support.