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Nursery News March 2021

Message from the Head of Federation

Hello All

I just wanted to start with saying how wonderful it is to have our nursery full of children again. We have gone on such a journey together during the COVID pandemic and it is our wonderful collaboration that has made our nursery community as safe as it possibly can be. Thank you.

We have exciting news to share, over the Easter holidays Daisy Nursery garden is going to have a transformation. The large canopy will be coming down and we will be having astro turf placed on a large area of the garden. We will be having interchangeable climbing blocks in the environment and the team have been working on plans to make the garden environment a purposeful space for play and exploration! The work is starting on the 6th April and the team are going to come in over the holidays to have it ready for the children to use from 19th April.

We finish school on Thursday 1st April. If your child presents with symptoms of COVID and tests positive for COVID on Friday 2nd April or Saturday 3rd April please call me on **07775411769** and I will have to contact staff and children that were close contacts and ask them to self-isolate for 10 days. From **Sunday 4th April to Sunday 18th April** if your child or a household/extended household family member tests positive for COVID please email **admin1002@welearn365.com** and please share the date you have been asked to self-isolate until. Thank you, by doing this you are helping us reduce the risk of transmission within our community.

Just a reminder that if you or a member of your household have one of the three main COVID symptoms you have to self-isolate and book a FULL PCR test - a lateral test cannot be used for presentation of the main symptoms.

There is a wonderful new App that the local authority has put together called 50 things to do before your 5 Warwickshire - here is the link to the website. Please do have a look! <https://warwickshire.50thingstodo.org/app/os#/50thingstodobefore5/welcome>

I wanted to say a huge thank you to you all for not parking on the coned-off area of pavement opposite nursery - you are all making a difference to keep our children safe on the roads outside nursery.

If I do not see you during next week - I hope you have a good Easter holidays and we look forward to moving into Summer Term and welcoming some new children and families to our nursery community.

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Some reminders:

- Can we please ask that all children have appropriate clothes, footwear and a suitable coat for the colder weather. Also, can all children have a coat that has their **name** inside it!
- Please could we ask that **no sweets** are put into your child's lunch box as we like to promote healthy eating and good oral health.
- We welcome nursery contributions, we ask for a weekly donation of £1.50, or if you wish to pay for the term, please call the school office and they can advise the amount. All payments must be through the bank, we are no longer allowed to accept cash. Our account details are: Account No: 48141468, Sort Code No: 30-84-79, please quote your child's name on the transaction, followed by the letters NF. **We do really appreciate receiving these contributions as this goes towards purchasing snack as snack cannot be donated by parents anymore, due to COVID.**
- Please can we ask that all children have sent in spare, **named**, clothes, including socks kept in their nursery bag which is kept on their coat peg.



Please can we remind you it is Government and local authority guidance that parents/carers who come to the school gate **must** wear a face covering/face mask unless there are medical reasons why you should not. Please remember to wear yours!

Snack Fund Target



Dates for your Diary

Friday 2nd April 2021	-	Good Friday - Start of Easter Holidays
Monday 19th April 2021	-	Start of Summer Term
Monday 3rd May 2021	-	May Day - Nursery Closed
Monday 31st May 2021	-	Spring Break Week - Nursery closes for 1 week
Wednesday 30th June 2021	-	Teacher Training Day - Nursery closed
Wednesday 8th July 2021	-	Induction Day - children will visit their new schools—More info to follow
Tuesday 20th July 2021	-	Last Day before Children break up for Summer Holidays
Wednesday 21st July 2021	-	Teacher Training Day

Please do let us know if your child is going to be absent from Nursery School - whether it is because of illness, Covid Symptoms, family circumstances or holiday. Call **024 76364188** and leave an absence message or tell the reception staff.

IMPORTANT GREEN EXIT/ENTRY GATE NEWS!

ALWAYS close and bolt the gate behind you at all times.

If you follow these instructions it will help keep all of our children safe.

Keeping Everyone Safe - Some reminders:

- Please close all gates and doors behind you. This is to keep all of our children safe.
- Please do not park on the yellow zig zags outside Nursery. If the fire engine needs to attend an emergency to save a life and your car is in the way, they will move it by whatever means available!
- **Parking Reminder:** Please do not park on the coned-off pavement area. It is illegal to park over the fire hydrant and to do so will incur a parking fine. Please keep this paving area clear.
- Please let us know, by phoning the Nursery if someone else will be collecting your child. Remember, we will not let your child go with someone we don't know or haven't been told is collecting your child. Passwords must be used.



Regular school attendance is important for the children to make relationships and learn. However, young children do become poorly, especially at this time of year, so please keep them at home if they are unwell. Thank you very much to everyone for co-operating in letting us know when your child can not attend. We are very grateful for the phone calls and messages. Remember—with vomiting sickness and diarrhoea please give a clear 48 hours before sending your child back to nursery. Thank you.



Important contact details

Bedworth Heath Nursery School:
024 76364188

Website:
www.bedworthheathnurseryschool.com

Please have a look and like our Nursery Facebook page to receive information on the children's learning experiences.

Facebook - Bedworth Heath Maintained Nursery School and Warwickshire Teaching School.

IN THE EVENT OF EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS: THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE AND RADIO STATIONS WILL BROADCAST SCHOOL CLOSURES:
Free Radio 97 & 102.9 FM BBC www.warwickshire.gov.uk
Radio Coventry & Warwickshire 94.8 103.7 & 104 FM

Orchard and Daisy Nursery



Nursery — Spring Term

We would like to welcome everybody back and say a massive 'hello' to all our new children and families who have joined our Bedworth Heath Nursery School family during our Spring term. It has been wonderful to see the children settling into the nursery environment and we would like to thank all our families for your continued support. It has been great to see the children's confidence blossoming, taking the rules and routines of the nursery day in their stride, developing new, and building on, relationships with their peers.

We have enjoyed talking about what we have been doing both in our home environments and in nursery. The children have shared some of the lovely home learning activities they completed and we continue to build upon these skills in the environment. In Orchard Nursery the children have been engaging with Protective Behaviours, which has been a weekly theme, to encourage them to talk about their feelings, emotions, worries or concerns and to put positive strategies into place for how children could manage a situation of heightened emotion. These strategies enable our children to better communicate their feelings, regulate their own emotions and subsequent behaviours, which in turn, encourages them to become independent. Promoting the rule of law, respecting others and developing self-confidence through the Fundamental British Values is something we hope to continue in nursery. Through engaging with these policies and topics, we encourage our children to build empathy through understanding their own feelings and how to express them, and by responding to the feelings and wishes of others. The children have built upon their understanding that some of us have similarities and some of us have differences but we are all connected in some way - this supports the foundations of respect and tolerance for one another.

In nursery we have enjoyed talking about, and engaging with, different traditions and celebrations including Chinese New Year where the children tried traditional cuisine; World Book Day and dressing up as our favourite characters and talking about our favourite stories amongst friends; Mothering Sunday where the children decorated labels to send flowers home to somebody who is special to them and Red Nose Day where we came dressed in our brightest colours and had fun taking part in our own mini danceathon! We talked about how some children and families do not have what they need and by raising awareness through Red Nose Day and collecting donations, we can help these families. This has supported the children's understanding of helping and caring for others. They have been really busy engaging with different celebrations recognising special events and how these might be honoured. This further supports our tolerance of and respect for different beliefs, creating harmony amongst our children and an appreciation for their own, and other people's cultures.

The children continue to spend a lot of time outdoors which has been great for their physical development and wellbeing. They engage with healthy mover's activities which builds their gross motor movements, developing their listening and attention skills. The children continue to notice the changes around them, observing their natural world, asking fantastic questions inspiring the development of their curiosity. We are now exploring Spring and what that brings to our natural environment. The children have enjoyed reading Jack and the Beanstalk and have since, planted their own beans so they can observe the changes and growth overtime. We have already seen some changes to our beans as the shoots begin to form and come out of the beans, and this has sparked some great questions from the children, helping to embed their understanding of growth and changes in their environment. Whilst the children continue to observe the changes to their beans, they have also been busy creating observational drawings of springtime flowers. Around the nursery space we have incorporated some real spring flowers and some pictures to show the children what we might see growing outside as the weather changes and becomes warmer.

As we approach Easter and the children are getting excited to find Easter eggs, we are learning about the biblical teachings of why Easter is celebrated too. We will be having our own Easter hunt in the garden, Easter crafts and making our own rice krispie nest cakes.

As we prepare for our last term this academic year we will be focusing on building children's self-help and physical skills to further support their development and independence. Looking at continuing to build up our children's resilience and self-esteem through family time activities and their play. We look forward to watching the children grow, supporting their development by following their interests and furthering their self-regulatory skills, becoming resilient, independent learners.

We hope you all have a wonderful Easter holiday and have opportunities to make some wonderful memories to treasure.

Stay safe!

From the Orchard Nursery and Daisy Nursery Team



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Hello!

Firstly, a warm welcome to our new children and families who will join us for the Summer term after the Easter break. I am here to support you with a range of needs now that you are part of the Bedworth Heath Nursery family. For those well established families who have been with us for a while- just a reminder that I am here should you need help or advice.

Family Support and Pastoral Care covers a range of topics- child development such as toilet training, behaviour, routines or meal times for example. It can also be financial help, access to wider support services such as legal advice or benefits for example, or even just a request for a food bank voucher. Just give me a call- the contact details are at the bottom of the page.

If your child has a social worker I will be involved in attending the meetings and supporting you and your child as a family in any way I can. I am also a Mental Health First Aider and link closely with health services to access further support for you or your child's mental health. Additionally help with drug or alcohol issues can be sought for you, or help with domestic violence. Please call me and I will do everything I can.

Family Support Drop In

I can still meet with you face to face in our outside meeting space, but by appointment only so as to maintain social distancing. I am having a 'Drop In By Appointment' session on Thursday 29th April between 11-1.30. If you would like to have a chat drop me an email, text or call and I will pop you in the diary. Alternatively, if this is not a good day for you, we can make a different appointment so please ask.

Parent Workshops

During Summer Term I will be running a couple of Parent Workshops over Microsoft Teams. Topics that have been raised continually over the last couple of months are 'Managing Behaviour' and also 'Bedtime and Sleep'. I will be sending an email shortly to all parents with further details. If you are interested in attending either of these workshops then just drop me a message, or email back and I will pop you on the list for an invite.

Following on from the 'Behaviour' workshop I intend to deliver a Support Programme over a number of weeks in the Summer Term for more in depth support for family life. Watch this space, and emails, for further advice about this.

Enjoy your Easter and we look forward to welcoming you all in April!

Stay safe.

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Parents/Carers, please remember the

Parent/Carer Code of Conduct

-that you have all read and agreed to during induction.

Please be **kind, respectful** and **polite** to staff at the gates.

Staff are following new **Government Protocol** and guidance from **Public Health England** to keep your children and staff as safe as we possibly can throughout the Coronavirus Pandemic.

- There will be times when we have to ask questions.
 - There will be times when we ask you to wait whilst asking for guidance from Senior Leaders.
 - There will be times when we need a second opinion as the guidance changes daily.
- Please be patient. This is for everyone's safety.

Thank you for helping us- you **really make a difference in keeping our nursery community safe.**

Bedworth Heath Nursery School
and Early Years Teaching Centre



'You make the difference,
today, tomorrow, together'

New Symptoms and updates on children who are “unwell” and Nursery attendance

The three main COVID symptoms remain the same, this is when self isolation rules come into place for the family/extended bubble and a COVID test needs to be done.

The main symptoms are:

A high temperature—this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)

A new, continuous cough—this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).

A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste—this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

To help keep your child and our nursery community safe, your child **should not** come to school if:

Feeling unwell with a runny nose (not solely a runny nose)

Sore—throat and a non-continuous cough

Ear—infection

Extreme tiredness and fatigue

Head ache

Childhood illnesses such as chickenpox, etc (to return when the first spot has crusted over)

Viral infections

A cold (runny nose, tired, cough)

Vomiting and diarrhoea (to remain at home until at least 48 hours since last loose bowel motion before returning)

A new rash appearing

Of course, some of these symptoms are not unusual in younger children at any time, but it is important to be extra-vigilant and not send your child to nursery if you are in any doubt.

If you are unsure, please just call us for advice.

Parents and Carers

Please remember!

Only 1 Parent or 1 Carer at a time, to approach the green gates



Please remember to keep your social distancing to 2 metres apart



You must now wear a face covering/facemask at the school gates



Please refrain from smoking or using an e-cigarette outside the school gates



Can we also please ask that no mobile phones are used on the entrance area to school - so that staff can chat to families on the hand over

