



# Pucklechurch CEVC Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The recent announcements from the Government have been a clear reminder that COVID-19 is still very present in our lives and that we must all stay focussed on limiting the spread as much as we can. The children are brilliant with adhering to the changes but it is useful to keep reminding them of the importance of hand washing and staying safe.

As a school we review our risk assessment every week to ensure we are all doing everything we can to keep the children and staff safe.

There are a few things we would really appreciate your support with:

1. Our staggered starts and finish times are working well but we are seeing an increased number of people dropping off their children at the earlier time (who don't have siblings needing to be dropped off at that time). Please can you arrive at the time stated for your children and not earlier to help manage numbers on site.
2. Could we also remind you to call or email rather than coming into the school office and we will respond that way. This helps us to minimise numbers who have entered the building which we hope you understand.
3. Please can we remind you to socially distance when on the school run or waiting and not gather together.

This week we have seen a number of our children with colds as expected and also a number of our staff have been affected by this. The whole staff have been brilliant at covering this and helping out within the bubble restrictions we have so I am, once again, grateful for their flexibility and support.

Thank you for all of your support in these challenging times. We really know how hard it is and we keep reminding ourselves of the blessing we have. Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Capel

### Dates for the diary 2020-2021 T1-2

No parental attendance at any events in Term1/2

#### **Term 1**

- 1<sup>st</sup> October – School CENSUS – please support us and order a school meal
- 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Arts day (children to bring in an old t-shirt/shirt to protect their clothes)
- 4pm, 6<sup>th</sup> October – RSE Parents Meeting virtual
- 7<sup>th</sup> October – New Reception parents virtual meetings (2pm and 5pm)
- 8<sup>th</sup> October - School Photos
- 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Harvest Festival, held in school

#### **Term 2**

- 9-12<sup>th</sup> November – Learning Meeting week (virtual)
- 27<sup>th</sup> November – Flu Immunisations

### Parent Survey

We very much value what our parents and carers think about school and are always looking for ways to improve.



We would be very grateful if you would take the time to fill in our parent survey, which can be accessed here:

<https://pucklechurch.wufoo.com/forms/qnsjen609hmbj9/>

Thank you for your support.

### School Census - Thursday 1st October



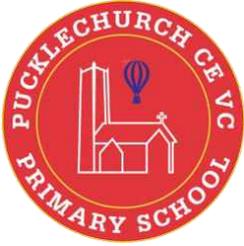
Our menu will be Fish Fingers. We would like as many children as possible to have a school meal as this helps our funding.

We would really appreciate your support with this so if you can, please book in.

### School Photos



School photos will be on 8<sup>th</sup> October. Unfortunately, due to the current situation we are unable to invite siblings in who are not in school for photos on that day.



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# Keeping safe at our school

Help us keep everyone safe when dropping off and picking up your child:



Wash your hands before and after taking or collecting your child from school.



Arrive on time for your allocated drop off/pick up time.



Leave promptly after drop off/pick up.



Keep your distance from others.



Avoid gathering in groups around the gate. Give people space to enter and exit.



If anyone in your household has any symptoms of Covid-19 call us to let us know - DO NOT come to school.

Stop the spread. **Do the right thing.**



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### New School Website

We are very pleased to announce that the school has a [brand new website](#), featuring all the information and news that you will need. Please do visit it to see what it includes that could be useful to you in the future – there is a specific **Parent section**, with many pages designed to support you and your child with their education at Pucklechurch Primary School. There are **dedicated hub pages**, where details of PE lessons, homework and other news will be shared, along with a **curriculum section** where you can find out about all of our subjects.

We would not be able to have achieved this without the help and support of **Bob Hyde**, a local of Pucklechurch, who has dedicated his time and expertise to

creating this with us. We would like to thank him for everything he has done, and continues to do, in keeping us live and relevant on the World Wide Web!

If you have any suggestions of how to improve the website, please do email the office ([admin@pucklechurchprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@pucklechurchprimary.org.uk)) – we want this to be a useful resource for you, our families, and hope that it answers many of your questions, as well as letting prospective parents know what we're all about!

### Virtual Visits for Reception Parents

Sadly, we are currently not able to invite Reception parents for the 2021 intake into the school to meet with us and look around. Instead, we are offering virtual visits – this will entail watching a short video of the school followed by a live video call, to provide an opportunity for parents to ask questions.

These virtual visits will take place on 7<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm and 5pm. If you would like to join, please sign up by clicking the link below:

<https://pucklechurch.wufoo.com/forms/z8ql0211s8yhh/>

### Reading

This week's results are:

Armstrong JJ - 55%  
Armstrong RF - 62%  
Armstrong AC - 71%  
Newton SM - 72%  
Newton GJ - 72%  
King NO - 84%  
King JC - 67%



Well done to King NO for being this week's champions!



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### Carpark Safety

We ask again that parents do not, under any circumstances, walk or cycle through the school carpark as part of the pick-up or drop off routine, either with or without children. It is a busy carpark, used by staff and parents. It has been noted that some parents are continuing to use this as a way to enter or leave school, potentially putting themselves, or others, in danger. Please also do not let your children play on the trees in the carpark.

Thank you to everyone who is using the walkway to the school grounds. Many thanks for your support.

### Flu Vaccinations

Consent forms have been sent home.



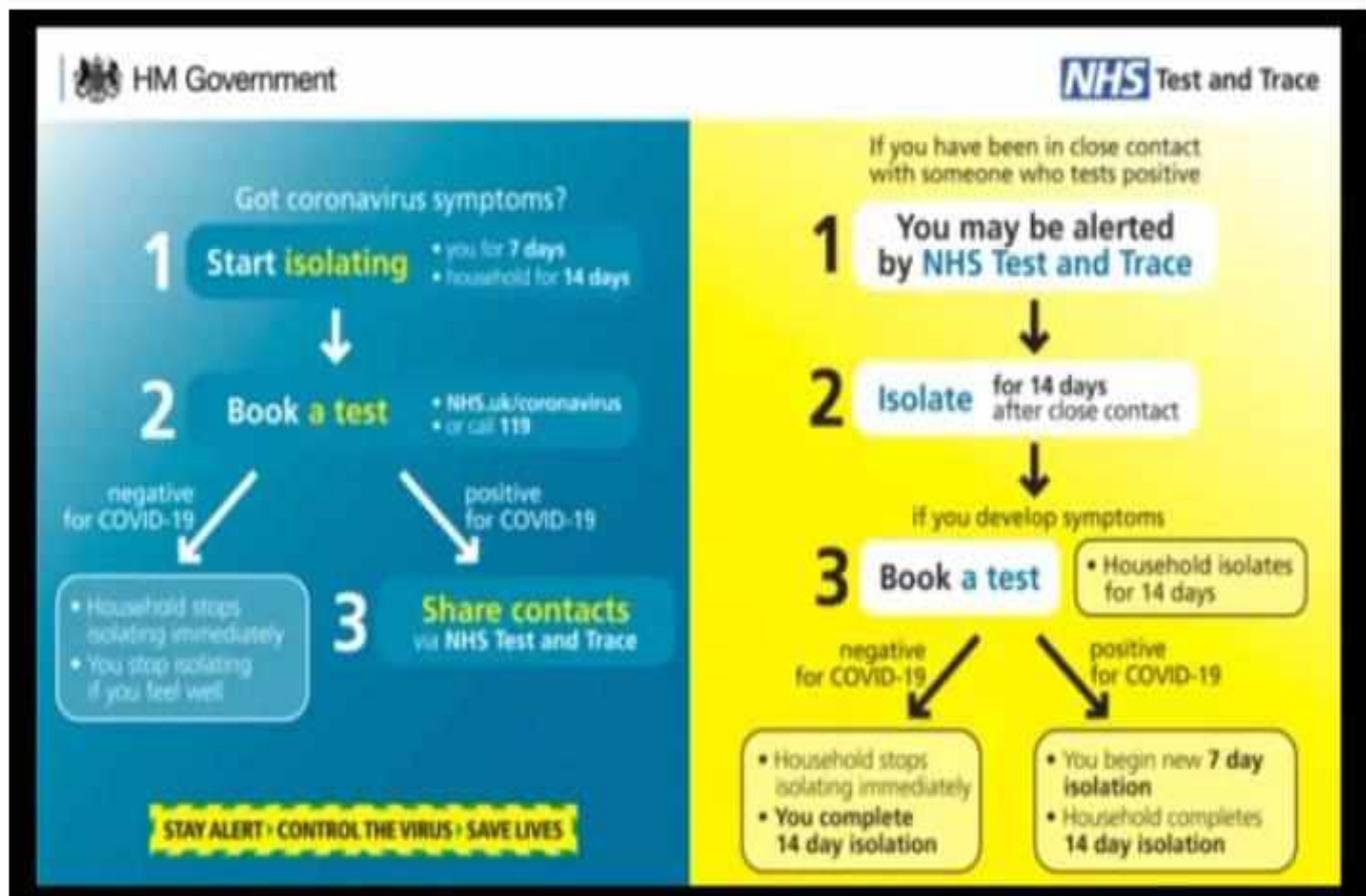
Please can you return them to your class teacher by 8<sup>th</sup> October.

### Jeans for Genes

We raised £149.42 as part of our Jeans for Genes Day.



Many thanks for your kind contributions!





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### Forest School



Seacole enjoyed their first Forest School session. We learnt the rules and played hide and seek.

### Reception 2021

Do you have a child who is starting school in September 2021? If you do and live in

South Glos, the admissions portal is now open, if first time logging on you will need to register:

[https://oneb2b.southglos.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/en](https://oneb2b.southglos.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)



### Times Table Rockstars!

Well done to Miss

Coleman's Top Rockers this week! These 3 students have

accessed TT Rockstars the most out of everyone in the whole school this week:



1. Darcey - Newton GJ
2. Josh – King JC
3. Layla – Newton GJ

### Relationships and Sex Education

Further to our letter sent out to all parents (available [here](#)), we are hosting a virtual meeting for any parents who would like to find out more about the school's approach to this important part of the curriculum and to view some of the resources that will be used.

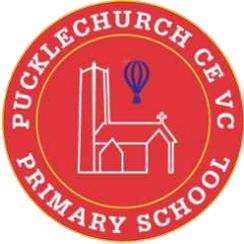
It is a good opportunity to find out more about the level of knowledge that your child should develop as part of these lessons, as well as the vocabulary in use, so that you can match these at home and talk to your child about their learning.

The meeting will take place at 4pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October. If you wish to be invited, please email the office ([admin@pucklechurchprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@pucklechurchprimary.org.uk)) so that we can issue you with a Microsoft Teams invitation.



### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October is Arts day.

Please can children bring in an old t-shirt to protect their uniform. It could be a grown-ups t-shirt or shirt as that will help their uniform be fully covered. Please ensure it is named.



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### Harvest

This year for our harvest festival we are looking forward to supporting our local foodbank. During the week of the 5<sup>th</sup> October- 9<sup>th</sup> October you are welcome to make a donation towards the foodbank. They have kindly provided a shopping list of key items they are in need of, however you are also welcome to make a small donation if you prefer.

Throughout the week the children will be learning all about the importance of the foodbank and how our school values generosity, forgiveness, compassion, courage, friendship and respect are vital in helping these important charities.

Unfortunately we will not be able to hold our harvest festival in the church this year due to COVID restrictions but we are looking forward to updating you with lots of pictures of the children and their wonderful work they will be completing throughout the week.

If you wish to make a donation towards the food bank we will be leaving a box outside the office during the 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> where you can make a deposit, if you would like to make a cash donation, we will be leaving a money pot by the donation pot where you can deposit your donation- please do not send any items into school with your child to avoid any contamination.

Many thanks in advance.



**HARVEST  
FESTIVAL**



You can help support the North Bristol Foodbank this Harvest by donating one or two items from our shopping list to equip us with providing for those who are in crisis.



SHOPPING LIST

Deodorant  
Shampoo  
Rice Pudding

Custard  
Washing Up Liquid  
Sponge Puddings  
Tinned Fruit



**Don't Forget!**

You can also help transform lives with a financial donation, too.