



# Christ Church School News

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020

This week we were able to hold telephone parent consultations and the teachers have all commented on how much they enjoyed talking with you and sharing positive news about your children. We hope you enjoyed this too!

Many parents commented that the children are really enjoying the new reading scheme and we would echo this. If you have a spare moment, I would really appreciate a short email or note letting me know your thoughts on this – thank you in advance.

Another point of discussion raised by many parents was regarding Brainbuilders. We had taken the decision that we would not reintroduce Brainbuilders until after Christmas, allowing the children to settle in and focus on reading, spellings and times tables during the autumn term. However, having reflected on parental comments, this will now be reintroduced earlier. We are still mindful that children do not become overwhelmed and therefore the Brainbuilders will be sent twice per half term initially, beginning with one for this half term at the beginning of December.

Finally, our thanks again for the many Harvest gifts sent last week which are now with Skipton Food Bank and for the generosity shown in raising over £200 for Children in Need.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cooper and all at Christ Church School

### FaceBook

As we are currently unable to host events for parents to come into school, we have recently started to make greater use of our FaceBook Page to share our learning in school. We hope that this will become more established this half term, so please like and share our page.

[smile.amazon.co.uk](https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk)

As we are unable to hold our usual PTA events at the moment, we have signed up to Amazon Smile. This is an easy way for us to raise school funds as Amazon will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price every time you shop via smile!

Remember, always start at [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk)

Thank you for supporting **Skipton Christ Church School Fund**.

## **Covid-19 Update**

We have been very grateful for the support of parents and families during the pandemic, as we all work together to keep everyone as safe as we can. Therefore, we ask that during this lockdown period, families refrain from mixing with another household, e.g. 'going for tea' unless it is as part of a childcare bubble. The information below has been copied for your information, from the government guidance document.

## **What a childcare bubble is**

**A childcare bubble is where one household links with one other household to provide informal childcare to a child or children aged 13 or under. They can provide the childcare in either or both of the homes from the 2 households. 'Informal' childcare means it is unpaid and unregistered.**

**All adults in both households must agree to this arrangement.**

**The childcare can be provided where necessary in any location – public or private, indoors or outdoors.**

**You can only use a childcare bubble for childcare – that is, where the child's parent or regular carer is not present. You cannot use a childcare bubble to mix with another household for other reasons.**

## **2. Meeting others safely**

**In general, you must not meet people socially. However, you can exercise or meet in a public, outdoors space with people you live with, your [support bubble](#) (or as part of a childcare bubble), or with one other person. You should minimise time spent outside your home. When around other people, stay 2 metres apart from anyone not in your household - meaning the people you live with - or your support bubble. Where this is not possible, stay 1 metre apart with extra precautions (e.g. wearing a [face covering](#)).**

**You must not meet socially indoors with family or friends unless they are part of your household or support bubble.**

**A [support bubble](#) is where a household with one adult joins with another household. Households in that support bubble can still visit each other, stay overnight in each other's households, and visit outdoor public places together.**

**You can exercise or visit outdoor public places with:**

- the people you live with
- your support bubble
- or, when on your own, 1 person from another household. Children under 5, as well as disabled people dependent on round-the-clock care are not counted towards the limit on two people meeting outside

**There is further guidance on what exercise and other physical activity can continue during the period of national restrictions.**

**Outdoor public places include:**

- neighbourhood streets, parks, beaches, and the countryside
- public gardens and grounds (whether or not you pay to enter them)
- allotments
- outdoor playgrounds

You cannot meet people in a private garden, unless you live with them or have formed a support bubble with them.

Thank you to parents and families for following the guidance regarding symptoms and testing. We know that it is a frustrating process but we appreciate your support in keeping school running as smoothly as possible.

**Presents with symptoms**

STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
Pupil or staff member presents with COVID-19 symptoms. (a new, continuous cough or a high temperature or a loss of taste / smell)	Individual sent home and advised to follow the guidance which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 7 days and should <a href="#">arrange to have a test</a> to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19). Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms	If test is negative, individual returns to school and households end self-isolation.  If test is positive, move to 'confirmed case' scenario below.

**Positive result**

STAGE 1	STAGE 2
<p>If someone tests positive, they should follow the <a href="#">‘stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection’</a> and must continue to self-isolate for at least 7 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. The 7-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal.</p> <p>Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days</p>	<p>Those people who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days since they were last in close contact with that person when they were infectious</p> <p><i>close contacts - face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin)</i></p> <p><i>proximity contacts – extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person</i></p>

**School will contact the local health protection team.**