

Brunswick Park Primary School

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This month's Focus Value is **Care**

Dear Parents and Carers

I begin with hope that you had a safe and healthy Half Term Break last week, and with a very warm welcome to the children in Reception Bubble 1 yesterday. It is a delight to see more children in school, and the 15 we welcomed back yesterday were so very excited as they arrived at 09:00 to see their friends and have the opportunity to play together once again. Our children in Reduced Provision are used to the post-lockdown arrangements and routines, and the children in Reception Bubble 1 took to them very quickly indeed.

This week has been very different for Brunswick's staff, who have all attended training either in the school building or remotely via Zoom on what teaching and learning will look like at Brunswick Park until July 2020. The training included information about the additional safety, hygiene and social distancing measures that have been introduced to reduce risk to both them and the children as very gradually more children begin to return.

Now the staff have had their training and 15 children in Reception have returned, I feel it is important for the whole school community to actually see what has been done to enable the school to welcome more children back, so in this newsletter there are images of what the school and learning looks like as of Monday 1 June. Whilst Home Learning continues for every child not currently learning in the building, it is important that you get the best and fullest picture of the offer we are able to give your child if s/he is in a returning Year Group. Subject to weekly evaluation and review of our plans, more children Year 6 will be welcomed back from 15 June, so in this letter there are images of what Year 6 classrooms now look like in preparation. I hope these images enable you to make the best informed decision about your child/ren's return, in the knowledge that returning is entirely at your discretion and that if your child/ren do not return you will not be penalised in any way.

Now we have a complete Reception Bubble of 15, Anna will be in contact once again with parents and carers of children in Reception who have not yet returned to see if there is sufficient interest in opening a second Reception Bubble. Mrs Inniss-Griffith will be in contact next week with parents and carers of pupils in Year 6 to confirm places in the Year 6 Bubble/s from 15 June and Fiona and Caroline will be in contact with parents and carers of Resource Based pupils, if they have not done so already.

Speaking of Fiona, do please keep your contributions coming this week. So far I have seen some brilliant family tributes to her, but as she reads this Newsletter I will say no more. You know what to do.

Being able to see a larger number of parents and carers this week has been great, as operating a school with so few people in the building is a strange and somewhat lonely experience, as there aren't the people here to give feedback on what we do. To hear parents' and carers' thanks and appreciation has been wonderful, and on behalf of all the staff at Brunswick I say it is very much appreciated. In return I thank you as always for your continued support and encouragement as we try our best to keep doing the next right thing.

With best wishes for a peaceful, safe and healthy weekend and fortnight ahead.

Susannah Bellingham, Head Teacher



What does learning in a Bubble look like in practice?

Welcome to Reception Bubble 1 on its first day

Every child has a named beaker for their own personal use. Adults manage regular water breaks and ensure cleanliness is maintained.



As much learning and play as possible takes place outdoors in the fresh air.

The children had lots of news to share on their first day, and were delightfully excited to be back.

Helen is hearing all about an incredible birthday cake.





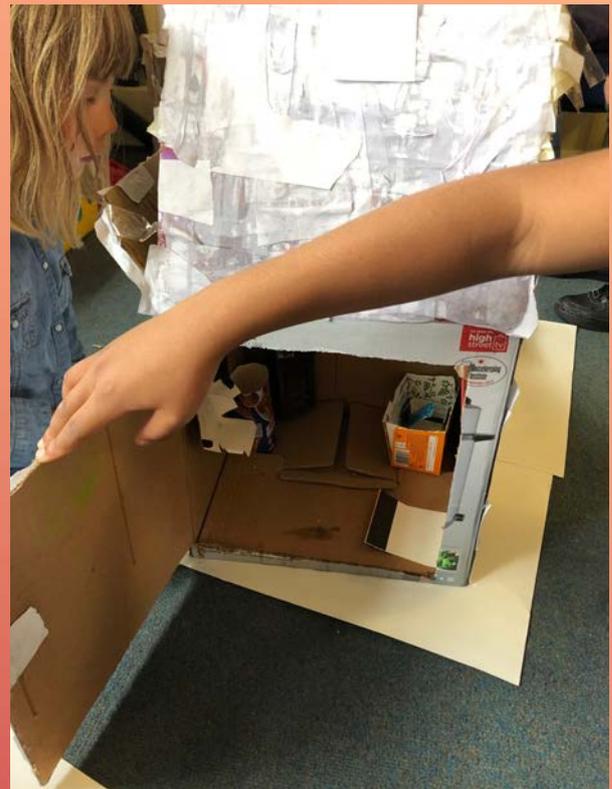
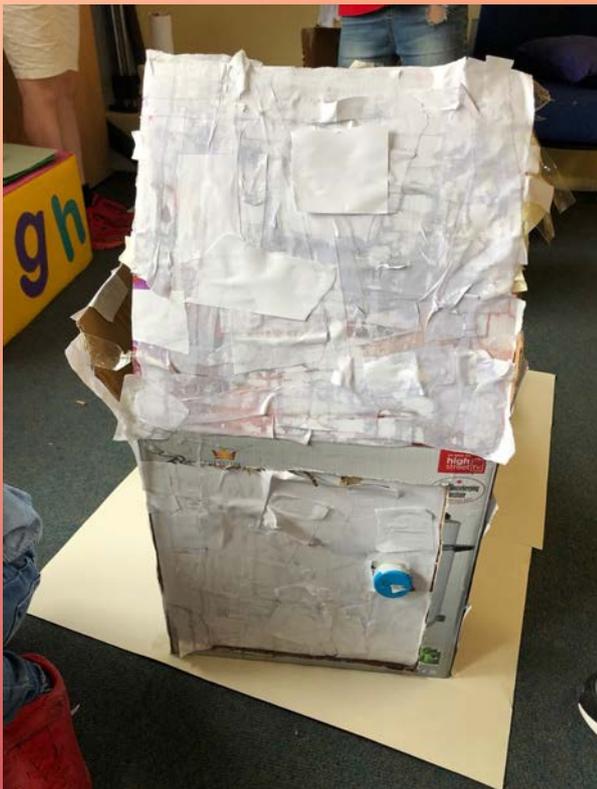
The number of children able to sit at a dining table has been reduced from 8 to 4. Children in Reception are not expected to maintain social distancing as they are too young, so instead the same adults work with the children throughout the day, including at lunchtime, to keep contact with others to a minimum. Here is Reception Bubble 1 enjoying roast chicken followed by orange jelly with Helen and Jude.

Our Reduced Provision continues for the children of Key/Critical workers and those whom the school has identified as needing it. It is based in the Nursery Building so is self-contained at a safe distance from the Reception Bubble.



Who wouldn't want a slide from their bedroom straight into a swimming pool? Bellway missed an opportunity there.

This week's project has been to design and build a box and papier mache city. The children have been totally engrossed in it, and will finish and paint it by Friday.



How has the school building been adapted to keep children and staff safer?

Our gates look like this:

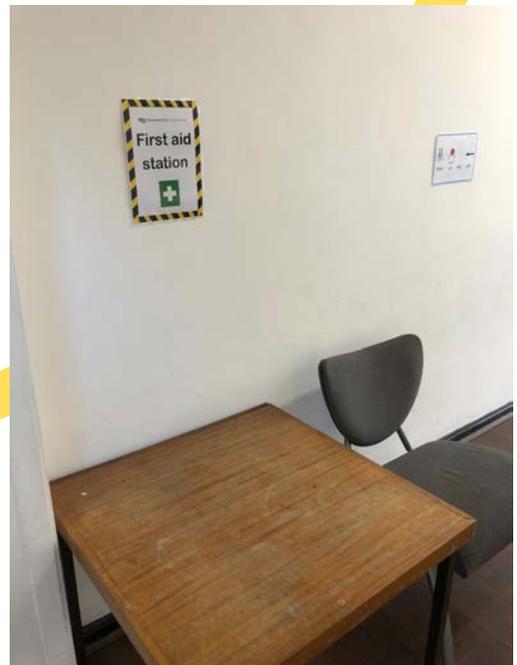


Drinking fountains are out of use. Safe drinking water is provided in classrooms and the Dining Hall

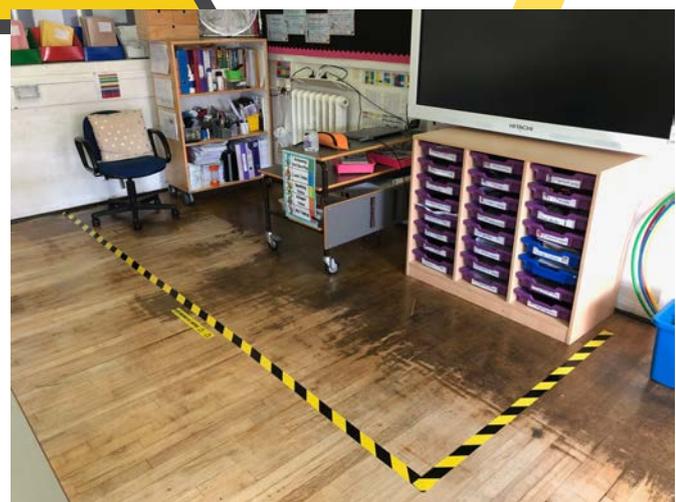


Our corridors look like this:





Our Year 6 Classrooms look like this:



Desks are spaced apart; play equipment is sanitised between each use; tape indicates 2m distance

Our facilities for staff look like this:



and our staff training on 1 and 2 June looked like this, which is why we had to deliver it 5 times:



Adults maintain social distance with each other. Older children will try their best to.



Revised Summer Term Dates

Half Term Monday 25 May 2020 – Friday 29 May 2020

INSET DAYS: Monday 1 June and Tuesday 2 June 2020

SOME CHILDREN IN RECEPTION RETURN TO SCHOOL ON
WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2020

SOME CHILDREN IN YEAR 6 RETURN ON **MONDAY 15 JUNE 2020**

SOME CHILDREN IN YEAR 1 RETURN ON **MONDAY 22 JUNE 2020**

Final day of Summer Term for children:

MONDAY 20 JULY 2020 - children finish at 2pm

INSET DAY: Tuesday 21 July 2020

Please note that whilst every effort will be made to adhere to them, these dates remain subject to change.



jobcentreplus

In light of the current uncertainty and turbulence in the jobs market we have been contact by Job Centre Plus to request we share the following link to help people find their nearest Job Centre more easily:

<https://www.jobcentrernearme.com/>



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Are you in unexpected financial hardship because of COVID-19 restrictions?

Have you lost your job?

On a Zero Hours Contract with no work?

Been furloughed so you have less money?

Do you have No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) and your vouchers haven't come through?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES, and your child or children are not eligible for Free School Meals or you are waiting for your claim to be processed, then you can take advantage of our FREE

Grab Bag Scheme

**Long life food items
such as tinned
tomatoes, rice,
pasta and lentils**

**Available for
collection at school
from the
Key Stage 2
Playground**

**PLEASE TAKE
WHAT YOU
NEED**

**Every Thursday
from
10:00-12:00**

**See our Free School Meals FAQs
on the school website homepage**

www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk

Access to Support and Home Learning



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Everything you need for home learning, and everything else relating to COVID-19 restrictions including gaining access to benefits, is on www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk



BBC Bitesize can be accessed here:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>



More information can be found here:
<https://www.thenational.academy/>

Thank you for doing your best to help your children learn at home. Many of us have children at home ourselves, so we understand just how challenging it is to encourage and help them and keep them entertained whilst doing our own jobs and organising our lives.

Everything you need for your child's home learning is available on our website www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk and is being sent to you weekly **via email from your child's teacher** on Mondays with check-ins on Wednesdays and Fridays. There are Bug Club, MyMaths and TTRockstars. There are also BBC Bitesize Daily Lessons and lessons from the National Oak Academy.

If your device does not support home learning, we can send paper copies to you. Please contact the School Office on 020 7525 9033 or **office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk** to request these.



Safeguarding Information

The designated team for Safeguarding at Brunswick Park Primary is
Susannah Bellingham
Fiona O'Malley and
Andrea Inniss-Griffith.

If you have any concerns about any child, please contact us. We are committed to Safeguarding all children and members of our school community and take all concerns seriously.

For your information, key school policies are available on request from the School Office and can be downloaded from the school Website under the 'Our School' tab.

Please check the website for further details about what children have been doing and learning in school.

Missed a newsletter? All newsletters are available for download from the School Website under the 'News' tab.
<http://www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk>

Please look at our website www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk for links to home learning and our updated Safeguarding Policy in light of the Coronavirus Restrictions.

Our Inclusion Team will continue to make welfare calls and visits throughout the school closure period, and Marjorie Damah, School Home Support Worker, continues to work 4 days per week as usual.

Please contact the school in the usual way.

Right to Reply:

04/06/20: Please email the address below to give us constructive suggestions or comments, including your name and your child's class.

Thank you.

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