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Burntstump Bugle

A peaceful and safe 2021 to all our families. In this difficult time, let us remind you of one of our school values:

Hope

We are inspired by hope to overcome barriers and to try our best in all we do.

‘Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Be strong and courageous.’ Joshua 10:25

**Remote Learning**

Well done to all of our families who are accessing TEAMs – we know it isn’t easy and are impressed by your perseverance! Remember, it isn’t hard because you are doing it wrong, but because it is hard! When you have to pick, because at some point you will, choose connection with your child. Choose playing a game over arguing about the work set. Choose teaching your child to do laundry rather than feeling frustrated because they aren’t helping. Choose laughing and snuggling and reminding them that they are safe.

**Teacher Drop In Sessions**

If your child is not accessing school at all, your teacher will have invited them to a drop in session. You can find these in the posts on TEAMs. We expect your child to join in with a video chat at least once



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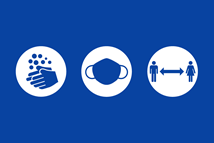
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during the week. Just click on the link in the post at the meeting time and follow the instructions. If your child’s e mail is linked to their diary on TEAMs they will get an e mail reminder before each session – this doesn’t mean they have to join every one! For Little Acorns your child will have a named appointment for an individual chat.

**Be Netaware!**

Our children are online more than ever before. It can be difficult to keep up to date with the various apps, games and social media sites they are using or may have access to, but ‘Netaware’ from the NSPCC can help. Please visit <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/> if you would like to find out more.

**Covid safety**

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The best way to keep the children safe in school is to keep the bubbles small. The fewer contacts the children and staff make, the safer they are. **With that in mind, please only send your Key Worker children to school when you cannot look after them at home.** Our numbers are much greater than they were in the first lockdown.

Of course, if your child is accessing school, we continue to do everything we can to keep them safe. All Government Guidance continues to be followed at school.

Please remember, to stay vigilant, and to not send your child into school if they, or any member of your household, displays symptoms of Coronavirus:

* A new persistent cough
* A high temperature
* A change of or lack of sense of taste and/or smell

Testing has not yet been brought into primary schools, however, we await instruction for that to happen. Please rest assured, if we are in a position to offer testing, children will only be tested with parental consent. We will keep you in touch with any developments in this area.

**Snow**

Coronavirus is not the only thing that may disrupt school. Yes, the white stuff has begun to show its head with a vengeance! If we do have to close school due to snow, we will inform parents by text. You could also find any news of closures on our website and on TEAMs. Please do not phone school if we have deep snow over night, as the staff will not have been able to get in to answer the phone!

Please remember to send your child with appropriate clothing – wellies or outdoor waterproof boots, gloves, hat and coat. Some children were coming to school in December without even a coat! Children will be allowed to play out in snow if the conditions are right and if they have the right clothing. Coronavirus safety advice for schools recommends outdoor play as much as possible as well as frequent airing of classrooms – we are not warm! Children are currently allowed to wear extra coats/jumpers in the classrooms if they want to.

**SATS**

All statutory testing has been cancelled this year. However, our teachers will still be keeping track as far as possible of children’s progress. It is extremely important that when children are not in school, they engage with learning and with their teachers so we know how they are doing and can provide appropriate lessons.

**DFE Laptop Loans**

[](https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.netclipart.com%2Fisee%2FbRJmoR_vector-snow-clipart-snowflake-clipart-png%2F&psig=AOvVaw06soYfDLSglXVde1U7c1W3&ust=1581586892322000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CAIQjRxqFwoTCKCGvL3cy-cCFQAAAAAdAAAAABAD)If you are struggling to access our remote learning because your child does not have access to a laptop or I pad, please let school know by Friday. The letter explaining who is eligible for a laptop loan went on the website and on TEAMs yesterday – you may be eligible if your child is not coming to school.

**Charity!**

Thank you so much for the money raised for charity last term:

Framework: £67

Children in Need: £90.30

Show Racism the Red Card: £61

**Diary Dates:**

22nd February – INSET Day

7th June – INSET day

Please look at our website, there are some lovely photos on the class pages and lots of info in the News section on the home page:

[www.burntstumpchuch.notts.sch.uk](http://www.burntstumpchuch.notts.sch.uk)

and our Facebook page.