



School-Wide News

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to another busy term at Southville Primary School! Although this is not the start to 2021 that we wanted or expected, we understand the importance of protecting our families, the wider community and vital health services. The school will be closed until the February half term, in line with national lockdown restrictions and we will update you whenever further guidance is issued.

We would like to thank you for your support in helping our children and school community adjust to the changes that have arisen this week. We have been really impressed with how well the children, with your support, have once again taken up the challenge of remote learning. It has also been lovely to see children coming in so happily for the keyworker provision and settling so well into their activities on site.

We would also like to thank our dedicated staff, who have once again shown their commitment, flexibility and professionalism in how they have ensured a continuation of quality provision for our children at very short notice. We welcome Mr Commander into his role as Deputy Headteacher. He has made a fantastic start, hitting the ground running, and alongside Mr Pearce has been working tirelessly to support the teachers and set up our keyworker provision. Mr Rogers has also joined us this term, and has been doing a fantastic job in his remote teaching of Lemur Class.

Free School Meals Service

We are currently waiting for further information from the Local Council regarding this service. The government has announced that there will be a **national FSM voucher scheme available**. We will update you as soon as we have further information. We expect this service to resume next week.

Childcare Bubble

You may be interested in forming a childcare bubble to help you with your childcare commitments. Please have a look at the government guidance to find out more:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-childcare-bubble-with-another-household?fbclid=IwAR30M65SPmHHDw70J4MdjNbj8tArGPA6p06M9Hz1S_RViBIOskc2YQdGTmc

Keyworker and vulnerable childcare provision

We have worked extremely hard to finalise our list of children to whom we can provide onsite teaching. To be able to provide quality remote learning, and for the safety of our community, it has been important to limit the numbers of children accessing our keyworker provision. If you have not heard from us by the end of today, I'm afraid that we have not been able to accommodate your child.

We will be moving the keyworker provision to the Merrywood site for our Early Years and Key Stage 1 pupils, while the Key Stage 2 children will continue to come to Myrtle. We will be operating the following bubbles from Monday, 11th January:



Merrywood site	Myrtle site
Bubble 1 – EYFS Bubble 2 – Y1 Bubble 3 – Y2	Bubble 4 – Y3 Bubble 5 – Y4 Bubble 6 – Y5&6

Please see below for when and where to drop off/pick up your child at the two sites.

	Merrywood bubbles:		Myrtle bubbles:	
	Bubble 1 – EYFS Bubble 2 – Y1 Bubble 3 – Y2		Bubble 4 – Y3 Bubble 5 – Y4 Bubble 6 – Y5&6	
	When	Where	When	Where
AM				
Wrap around drop off	From 8:00 am	Front gate on Stackpool Rd. Please use the buzzer on the front gate.	From 8:00 am	Myrtle building front door
Start of school day drop off	8:55 am	Front gate on Stackpool Rd	8:45 am	MUGA
PM				
End of school day pick up	3:00 pm 3:03 pm 3:06 pm	Front gate on Stackpool Rd	Y5&6 3:10 pm Y4 3:13pm Y3 3:16pm	MUGA
Wrap around pick up	Up to 5:00pm	Front gate on Stackpool Rd. Please use the buzzer at the small gate.	Up to 5:00 pm	Myrtle building front door

We have set staggered times to help keep bubbles separate. When waiting on Stackpool Rd or Myrtle St at these times, please remain socially distanced from other families. Parents will not be able to come onsite. It is vital that we keep our distance from each other during these times.

Learning

When onsite, children will be working with a teacher from within their year group bubble on the same learning tasks that have been set by their class teachers.

Lunches

Children can bring their own packed lunch or have a school meal provided.

As usual, Reception and Key Stage 1 children, as well as all children who are entitled to a free school meal, will be provided with one at no charge.

Preschool children can be provided with a school lunch at a cost of £2.00.



Key Stage 2 children can be provided with a school lunch at a cost of £2.25.

Wraparound care

We offer the following wraparound provision for keyworkers for a charge. The timings and the charges are as follows:

8.00 am to 8.45 am = £4.95

3.00 pm to 5.00 pm =£11.15

To book your place please email our business manager at savi.flaecher@bristol-schools.uk. The email should include the following:

- Subject: "wraparound booking"
- Days and dates you are booking for
- Name(s) of child/children

Payment: Once we have received your email confirming your booking, we will invoice you for the sessions booked. Payment method is BACS and all the information will be on the invoice. We accept childcare vouchers and tax free child care.

Our teachers have been working hard to provide both live teaching sessions and directed learning activities and we hope that you feel that you are getting back into the remote learning routine. We thank you for your perseverance and your patience as we troubleshoot some of the inevitable niggles in setting this up. It is really important that your child continues to engage in their remote learning and takes part in as many of the live sessions as possible. We have attached guides to online safety; please use these to discuss the expectations of working online with your child.

Onsite working for teachers and LSAs

Please be aware that from Monday, class teachers will be working onsite once a week in order to teach the children in our keyworker bubbles. This will mean that on this day, they will not be able to deliver live teaching online, but daily tasks will still be posted for the children.

Getting help with technology during coronavirus

If you need support at home with hardware (computers) or mobile internet access then please contact the school. The DfE are working in partnership with mobile network providers to support children (disadvantaged) who use mobile networks to facilitate their remote learning.

Acceptable use – Remote learning guidelines

Please take the time to go through the remote learning guidelines with your child. If they are in: EYFS / Key Stage 1; please refer to appendix 1 of the document
Key Stage 2; please refer to appendix 2 of the document.



PTA NEWS

Meeting news

Unfortunately, due to our current lockdown restrictions we have postponed our first meeting of the year. We will reschedule this in due course.

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