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# Newsletter

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## Headteacher's notes...

Well, it may have been a shorter week at school but it seems to have been busier than ever! There have been many children wanting to show their work and talk about what they have been doing in class which is always great to see.

The Governors met this week to approve the school budget for the next year. As a result we are able to let you know that we are planning to increase the number of classes from 19 to 21 in September and this means that there will be 3 classes per year group with no mixed-year classes. This continues to be an exciting time for the school as we start to recruit staff over the next few weeks. I will write to you with further details after half term as appropriate.

We continue to follow our Covid Risk Assessment and thank you for your continued co-operation and support. Current arrangements for lunches as well as the start and end of the day are unlikely to change before the end of term.



## Snacks and Drinks

The children should bring a named water bottle to school each day, containing still water only and not juice or flavoured water please.

Every day children in the Reception classes and Key Stage 1 are provided with a piece of fruit as part of the Government's healthy eating project. However, if you want to exempt your child from this scheme, they may bring a mid-morning snack but this should only be fresh or dried fruit/vegetables from home.

Children in KS2 may bring in a healthy snack, for example, fruit or vegetable for morning break. Please do not send in cakes or sweets for children's birthdays. Not only do we have a number of children who cannot share these treats due to food intolerances or religious prohibition, the school promotes healthy lifestyles and follows the School Food Plan.

We have a number of children in school with nut allergies. Please avoid sending nuts into school as a snack in your child's packed lunches.

## Car Parks

The car parks are for members of staff and visitors and must not be used for dropping off or collecting children unless agreed by the Headteacher. Please do not walk or cycle through the car parks when dropping off/collecting children. Thank you

## Food Bank

We have started to collect donations for the Food Bank once again and they will be collected at half term. Your generosity is always much appreciated and items can be left in the baskets in the main Reception areas. Thank you.

## PTA News

**Sunflower growing competition** - If they have not already done so, your child will soon be bringing home some sunflower seeds and a small information sheet. These were kindly donated to the PTA by Frosts Garden Centre, and we would love it if you could plant them and take part in our free competition. There will be prizes available for the tallest sunflower and the most creative picture, so if your seeds do not germinate or get particularly tall you are still in with a chance! Please take a photo of your flower next to a tape measure (if applicable) and send them to [BramptonPTA@outlook.com](mailto:BramptonPTA@outlook.com) or post them on our Facebook page (search for Brampton PTA and request to join) by 3<sup>rd</sup> September. If you have little ones who are due to start school or Brambles next year, please contact us to arrange collection of your seeds.

*Learning*

*Enjoying*

*Achieving*

**Uniform** -We are still collecting branded uniform to sell, but at this time we cannot take anything else. Please email us if you would like any branded tops and we will either arrange collection or let you know when it comes into stock. All items are just £1!

**Dare to be Different day** - On the last day of this half term (Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May) we will be holding a non-uniform day quite unlike any other. The children are invited to come to school dressed in a way that shows they 'dare to be different'. More details will be sent home next week. Please make a £1 donation in cash on the day or by bank transfer to Brampton Village School Association, Account number 00734748, sort code 20-43-63.

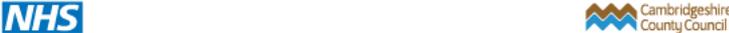
Thanks and enjoy the weekend,  
The PTA Team

Please keep your child at home if they are unwell or show signs of COVID. If someone in your house tests positive, please inform us immediately. We will have to continue to close bubbles of classes/ year groups if there is a positive case confirmed amongst either children or staff. You do not need to inform us of negative results, but we **MUST** know about positive results immediately.

If a child becomes unwell or shows any symptoms of COVID-19 we will contact parents/carers immediately. We will then expect the process for booking a test to be followed. If there is a positive test this may impact on the bubbles with them having to close whilst staff and children isolate.

**Please continue to inform the school each day by phoning or emailing**  
[pupilabsence@brampton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:pupilabsence@brampton.cambs.sch.uk) .

**Please use this address if your child becomes unwell and needs a test at a weekend.**



# COVID HAS NOT GONE AWAY

**Make sure YOU PLAY YOUR PART to keep our schools safe.**

### FOLLOW THE RULES

We are still in STEP 2 of the government roadmap

- Groups of up to six people, or larger groups from a maximum of two households, can now meet outdoors.
- Staying overnight / sleepovers and indoor gatherings, including playdates and parties, are NOT ALLOWED.

### Wash your hands

- Good hand hygiene is still important
- Make hand washing the last thing you and your child do before leaving the house, and the first thing you do when you get home

### Wear a face covering

- Wear a face covering indoors where social distancing may be difficult
- If your child attends secondary school, ensure they also have one for school or college, unless they're exempt

### Get a test

- Rapid testing at home is now available for all adults without symptoms
- By taking regular tests you can help to reduce the spread of the virus and help those around you stay healthy and safe

### Self-isolate if you develop symptoms.

- The symptoms of COVID-19 are: a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste
- To book a PCR test please visit [www.nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) or phoning 119

For updates and advice please check our websites which will be regularly updated [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk) and [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)