

NEWSLETTER



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Autumn term—Week 2

Another great week in school. The children have continued to settle well and we have begun formal lessons this week, introducing our new topics and reminding children how to layout and present their work! Our routines ensuring good hygiene and cleaning are working well in school. More information will follow in this newsletter to give some further guidance about procedures in and around school. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Martin

Book changing days

Year 3— Friday

Year 4— Thursday

Year 5— Monday

Year 6— Tuesday

On their allotted day, children will be taken to the library to change their home reading book. Returned books will be kept in a sealed box for 72 hours before being put back on the shelves. While we are getting used to this system, we have chosen not to send home our usual reading records. However, it is still so important that you listen to your child read everyday—it makes such a positive impact on their futures.

Mrs Morrison

Mrs Morrison, our art specialist, has made a brave and exciting decision to return to university to complete a PGCE to become a secondary art teacher! We would like to wish her luck as she embarks on her studies and we will miss her wonderful art sessions with the children. Good luck!

Who can help answer my question?

A general whole school enquiry, payment, dates and attendance, please make contact with Mrs James via info@brindleyacademy.com or on 01384 872343.

A class related enquiry, more information about topics or home learning, please use the year group e-mail to contact class teachers directly:

Year3@brindleyacademy.com

Year4@brindleyacademy.com

Year5@brindleyacademy.com

Year6@brindleyacademy.com

COVID Update

Thank you for your support so far—it is much appreciated. So far, two local schools have sent home bubbles for isolation after having confirmed cases of COVID-19. We want to keep as many children in school as possible.

With this in mind, we are asking parents to:

- Ensure that they arrive **during** the drop off window to avoid gathering outside the school entrances or on the playground.
- **Socially distance** on the playground from other families, ensuring **children stay close to parents** are not moving around the area.
- **Use the one way system** across site and do **NOT walk down the ramp**.

IF you chose to do so, you are welcome to wear face masks on school site during collection and drop off times.

Drop off and Collection times:

- Year 6:
 - 8:30 - 8:40
 - 3:00 *dismissal*
- Year 5:
 - 9:00 - 9:10
 - 3:30 *dismissal*
- Year 4:
 - 8:40 - 8:50
 - 3:10 *dismissal*
- Year 3:
 - 8:50 - 9:00
 - 3:20 *dismissal*

PE Kits

Our first week of wearing PE kit all day has worked well - thank you so much!

Jewellery: Children must remove jewellery when doing PE, including stud earrings. If your child cannot independently remove their studs, please do not send them to school wearing them on PE days.

Trainers: Please ensure children in trainers with laces can independently tie them to help reduce close contact between staff and children.

Covid-19 related pupil absence A quick reference guide for parents

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when.....
<p>My Child has Covid-19 symptoms;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back. • A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH—this means coughing a lot more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs . • A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE.—this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything. 	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Get a test. INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT</p>	<p>.....The test comes back negative</p>
<p>My Child tests positive for covid-19.....</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Bubble isolates/remote learning.</p>	<p>..... They feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My Child tests negative</p>	<p>CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day)</p>	<p>.....The test comes back negative.</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to covid-19</p>	<p>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE</p>	<p>After 48hrs following the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence</p>
<p>Someone in my household has covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household members to get tested. INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS</p>	<p>.....The test comes back negative.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>.....The child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>NHS test & trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL. CONTACT SCHOOL Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>.....The child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine.</p>	<p>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time. Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed. Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days from return date. Self-isolate the whole household.</p>	<p>.....The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</p>	<p>.....School inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school.</p>
<p>My child's bubble is closed due to a covid-19 outbreak in school.</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home support your child with remote education provided by school. Your child will need to isolate for 14 days.</p>	<p>.....School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened.</p>