



# Bellfield Infant School News

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Remember to join us at  
home for our  
Story Telling and PE  
'ZOOM' sessions!

## Dear Parents & Carers

*Happiness and wonder  
inspires success*

We hope you have had a good week and are keeping safe and following the guidance. The news this week has not been very positive with the highest number contracting the virus and the number of deaths increasing all the time. Please be mindful that your children may see the news and be quite frightened of what they see and hear. Please reassure them that as long as we all follow the guidance they will be safe and now there is a vaccine things will hopefully get better and back to normal.

School will be closed to all children for February half term week (15 - 19 February) and will re-open again on Monday 22nd February. Unfortunately, after half term we are not sure whether it will be open for all children or just Key Workers children, children with an EHCP or vulnerable children but as soon as we know we shall inform you.

The school is being sent Lateral Flow Testing kits so that all members of staff can be tested every three to four days for Covid in case they have it but show no symptoms. The staff do not have to do the test but they know it is in the best interests of the children, their families and their colleagues and their families if they do so. Unfortunately, quite a few of our staff tested positive for Covid and were ill during the Christmas break only just getting better in time to return to school. However, they too will take the test because of the new strain of the virus.

**The Edenred vouchers for children who are eligible for Pupil Premium funding for Free School Meals are now live. Please check your email inbox over the next few days for your vouchers.**

The staff are working hard to ensure that the children do not miss out on their education despite school being closed. They have planned activities, prepared packs and facilitated online learning. We appreciate that it is difficult to have the children at home if you're still working from home but please can you make sure your child does complete tasks set and that they participate in the zoom sessions for PE and Story Telling. The phonic videos are a crucial part of what they need to watch too if you don't want them to fall behind.

The Learning Packs for next week (Week 4) have been prepared and are available on the school website. Please click on the links below to take you straight to the website page;

### Nursery and Reception

<https://www.bellfield-inf.bham.sch.uk/parents/eyfs-home-learning-projects>

### Year 1

<https://www.bellfield-inf.bham.sch.uk/parents/key-stage-1-home-learning-project>

### Year 2

<https://www.bellfield-inf.bham.sch.uk/parents/key-stage-1-home-learning-project-1>

For those who cannot download from the school website we have paper packs available in boxes outside the school office to collect. We try to make sure that not all the tasks need adult support so the children can work independently.

If anyone wants any help or support you can contact us via your child's year email or you can phone the school and ask to speak to someone.

Next week the teachers who are in with the children are:

Early Years - Mrs Delves, Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Drew and Mr Wiseman

Year 1 - Miss Roberts and Miss Hughes

Year 2 - Mrs Bradley, Miss Saunders

Mrs Farrell will be in hopefully next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday if she's well enough; she had Covid and it left her with a chest infection. Mrs Burns and Mrs Simm will be in next week too.