

Badgerbrook Primary School

1 December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

As you will know the whole of Leicestershire will be in Tier 3 from tomorrow.

School will be open as normal to those year and class groups who are not currently self-isolating. At present we have Year 6, Year 4 and Foundation Stage in school plus one Year 2 class and one Year 3 class. We look forward to them all returning on Tuesday and Wednesday next week (as per the letter that was sent to each group). Breakfast Club and After School Club will also be open.

We refer every notification of a positive test to the Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline and follow all their guidance. All cases have been classed by them as single incidents and not a cluster of cases.

The government guidance for schools in Tier 3 has not changed greatly but we are constantly reviewing our risk assessment and the protective measures in place. We are planning some changes to the bubbles, to playground zones and to lunch and break times. If these changes affect your child's class we will let you know.

We are asking all parents and carers to be mindful that extra precautions need to be in place to help us slow the spread of Covid-19 in our school community. Please help us to keep everyone safe and to keep the school open by doing the following:

- Please wear a **face covering** when you drop off and pick up your child.
- Please do not send your child into school if you or someone in your household has symptoms or is waiting for test results, **whatever the reason**
- Please let us know if you or someone in your household is waiting for a test result and inform us of the result of the test as soon as possible (**negative as well as positive**) – phone us on 0116 2752353 or email office@badgerbrook.leics.sch.uk
- Please avoid coming to our school office when a phone call or email could be used instead.
- Please do not congregate at the school gates and talk to friends and other parents.
- Remember to keep **2 metres** away from others as you wait to drop off and pick up your child
- Please continue to follow the guidance on support and childcare bubbles so that you are not mixing with too many other households
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-childcare-bubble-with-another-household>
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-support-bubble-with-another-household>

We understand how difficult this situation is for both pupils and parents and we are continuing to develop our remote learning provision and look for ways to improve interaction when children are not able to be in school. Please continue to keep in touch

when your child is not able to be in school, either through Seesaw or the class emails. As part of our safeguarding policies we need to check that each child is safe each day.

Christmas preparations

Christmas cards – children are welcome to bring in Christmas cards for other children in the same Year group. Each year group will have a post box and anything posted in these will be quarantined for 48 hours before being distributed. It will not be possible to pass cards to other year groups.

Christmas lunches will be going ahead next week. Thank you to everyone who has informed the office of the menu and packed lunch choices for the different days.

Class Christmas parties will also be taking place. More details will follow shortly.

Flu immunisation

You will have received a separate email about the flu immunisations on Monday 7th December. We still need you to complete the authorisation forms even if your child is not in school. Otherwise the immunisation team will not contact you to arrange an alternative opportunity for your child to have the immunisation.

We really appreciate all the support and understanding we have received at what is proving to be a very difficult and worrying time for us all.

Kind regards

Mrs C Price
Deputy Headteacher