



Brookfields Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to you all for ensuring your child gets to school every day and on time. Punctuality in the mornings has improved.

Can I remind parents that pupils have to be collected promptly at 3.30 every day (2.30 on a Friday). We have a significant number of families collecting children late. Staff have duties and responsibilities after school and are unable to carry these out effectively if they are supervising late collections. There is an after-school club called 'Kids come first' that many parents use if this would help you. Contact the office for details. Thank you for your support with this.

The **next parent committee** meeting, run by parents, for parents, is on **Monday 11**th **December at 8.45am**. Everyone is welcome to join.

Our next coffee morning which is a chance to chat to other parents in a warm, welcoming environment is on Thursday 30th November at 8.50am. Feel free to bring biscuits/cake to share, we will have some craft activities available for you to do.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs. L Mahony, Headteacher

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

When it comes to the internet, our children are exposed to so many different things. Together we want to work in partnership with you to help keep our children safe online. Below is some information about two very common online platforms children access.

At first glance they may seem harmless, but we would like to make you aware of some of the risks these platforms could pose to your child.

Remember to check your child's devices and talk to them about the apps and platforms they should and should not be using.

App/Game	What it is	What to watch out for
Twitch	A website where users can watch videos and live streams of other users, typically playing computer games. They can also live stream themselves.	Strangers they've contacted and strangers that have contacted them. Inappropriate content they've seen.
Roblox	An online game creating system where you can create and publish games, and play other users' games	'Griefing', where someone intentionally ruins the game for others. Contact with strangers. Violent games, which encourage children to be unkind and attack and kill others for rewards.

Parent Consultation about Admission arrangements

Every few years, schools consult about their admission arrangements, and it is that time for us here at Brookfields. The consultation goes live on Monday 20 November 2023 and will end on Monday 8 January 2024. Click/copy and paste the first link below to read the admissions policy and use the 2nd link to comment on the proposal.

If you have any questions about this, do come and speak to the office team.

Here is a link/URL, to where we have published a copy of our admissions arrangements on the Birmingham City Council School Admissions website: Proposed Admissions Arrangements 2025/2026 | Determined admissions arrangements 2023 | Birmingham City Council

Here is a link/URL, to where interested parties can comment on the proposed admissions arrangements on the Birmingham BeHeard website during the consultation period: Proposed Admission Arrangements for September 2025/2026 - Birmingham City Council - Citizen Space (birminghambeheard.org.uk)

Key Dates

Wednesdays: Year 3H swimming lesson

Thursday 30th November: Parent Coffee morning 8:50am

Tuesday 5th December: Year 5 Visit to Gurdwara (9:00am – 11:30am)

Thursday 7th December: National Christmas Jumper day Tuesday 12th December: Year 4 Visit to Cadbury World

Tuesday 19th December: Music Concert 9:00am – Only Year 4, 5 and Choir parents are

invited to attend.

Wednesday 20th December: KS1 Nativity Parents Performance at 2:15pm

Wednesday 20th December: Visit from Santa

Wednesday 20th December: Children's Christmas Dinner

Friday 22nd December: Children break up for Christmas holidays.

Monday 8th January: Pupils return to school – 8:30am



Wibbly Wobbly World of Play, 425 Walsall Rd, Birmingham, B42 1BT

Buses 51, x51, 52 all stop near the venue and are accessible from the city centre and Perry Barr train station.

Birmingham Parent Carer Forum would like to invite you to Wibbly Wobbly World of Play on Wednesday 29th November 2023, 9:30AM - 2:00PM

- Come meet the team and hear about our latest activities.
- · Find out ways to get involved and stay informed with the forum
- We want to hear your ideas for the forum's future growth.

Learn about SEND voluntary services available to you and your family in Birmingham and how they can support you.

Tea, coffee and biscuits on arrival and a free buffet lunch will be provided to both you and your child/young person.

Your child is welcome to join you and can access the soft play area free of charge (Age limit 11) however child care will not be available on the day.









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Come and Join us on Thursday

Are there any side-effects of the vaccine?

Children may develop a runny or blocked nose, headache, general tiredness and some loss of appetite. However, these are much less serious than developing flu or complications associated with flu. Serious side-effects are uncommon.

What about my child who has a health condition?

Children with certain health conditions, even if well managed, are at higher risk of severe complications if they get flu. It is especially important that these children are vaccinated.

Are there any children who shouldn't have the nasal vaccine?

As children with pre-existing medical conditions may be more vulnerable to complications of flu it is especially important that they are vaccinated. Children may not be able to have the nasal vaccine if they: are currently wheezy or have been wheezy in the past 72 hours (they should be offered a suitable injected flu vaccine to avoid a delay in protection), have needed intensive care due to asthma or egg allergic anaphylaxis (Children in these two groups are recommended to seek the advice of their specialist and may need to have the nasal vaccine in hospital), have a condition, or are on treatment, that severely weakens their immune system or have someone in their household who needs isolation because they are severely immunosuppressed, are allergic to any other components of the vaccine - See the website at www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/3296/pil for a list of the ingredients of the vaccine If your child is at high risk from flu due to one or more medical conditions or treatments and can't have the nasal flu vaccine they should have the injected flu vaccine. If you are unsure whether your child should get the injected vaccine or the nasal vaccine please check with the school immunisation team or the nurse or GP at your surgery. Children who have been vaccinated with the nasal spray should avoid household contact with people with very severely weakened immune systems for around two weeks following vaccination.

Can the flu vaccine be given to my child at the same time as other vaccines?

Yes. The flu vaccine can be given at the same time as all the other routine childhood vaccines. The vaccination may be delayed if your child has a fever. Also, if a child has a heavily blocked or runny nose, it might stop the vaccine getting into their system. In this case, their flu vaccination can be postponed until their nasal symptoms have cleared up.

Does the nasal vaccine contain gelatine derived from pigs (porcine gelatine)?

Yes. The nasal vaccine contains a highly processed form of gelatine (porcine gelatine), which is used in a range of many essential medicines. The gelatine helps to keep the vaccine viruses stable so that the vaccine provides the best protection against flu. The nasal vaccine is offered to children as it is more effective in the programme than the injected vaccine. This is because it is easier to administer and considered better at reducing the spread of flu to others, who may be more vulnerable to the complications of flu. However, if your child is at high risk from flu due to one or more medical conditions or treatments and can't have the nasal flu vaccine they should have the flu vaccine by injection. For those who may not accept the use of porcine gelatine in medical products, an alternative injectable vaccine may be available this year. You should discuss your options with your Immunisation team or state this clearly on the consent form.

Where can I get more information?

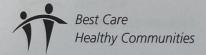
www.bhamcommunity.nhs.uk/imms for more information or contact the team by email or telephone as per contact details below.

It is important you inform the Immunisation Team if...

- · Your child receives this vaccination anywhere else after you return the form to us.
- · If you change your mind.
- · Your child becomes wheezy in the three days before the immunisation is due.
- Your child increases their asthma medication in the two weeks before the immunisation is due.

Contact the Immunisation Team on 0121 466 3410 or email The team on; BCHNT.BirminghamImms@nhs.net / BCHNT.Solihullimms@nhs.net

If you need help or advice completing the consent card please contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS). Freephone: 0800 917 2855



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Just a reminder to read the whole form when giving consent for the NHS Flu Jab. I have included the back page on this newsletter (It does contain gelatine)

Here is our Community Map It signposts families to local professionals

