



Burtonwood CP Newsletter 26th March 2021



One year on...

At 12pm on Tuesday 23rd March, Burtonwood CP children and staff held a minute's silence to show respect for those who sadly lost their lives to COVID19 in the 12 months since the first lockdown began. Their families were in our thoughts. We hope that the very successful vaccine roll-out will mean far fewer fatalities in the months to come, and that soon we will be able to spend time with our friends and loved ones and enjoy all that we have missed while keeping safe.

Adult supervision

Very occasionally, there may be a temporary issue with staffing the entrances in a morning at drop-off time. Please do not send younger children on to the playground or car park without your supervision if you don't see a member of staff at the door. In this instance, please come on to the playground or car park to wait socially-distanced with your child.

Crossing Patrol

We have been advised that there will be **no crossing patrol on Chapel Lane on Thursday, 1st April.** Parents may wish to accompany older children who would usually walk themselves to school and cross with the patrol.

Test and Trace Support Payments

On 22 March, it was announced that parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria.

This is administered by councils and ensures that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities. Should we need to ask your child to self-isolate, you would apply to the council in the area in which you live to receive a payment, e.g. parents living in St Helens would apply to St Helens council rather than Warrington, although we are a Warrington school.

Nurseries, schools, colleges and further education providers are required to provide a letter to all parents or carers of the children advised to self-isolate, to support their application to the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme.

Winter Grant funding for families in hardship

A payment of £41.14 per child should by now have been paid to families in hardship that have previously applied for the Winter Grant. This is the fourth payment made since December and is to help with food and utility costs.

There will be one final payment made (approx. £20 per child) after the Easter holidays.

The closing date for all Winter Grant applications is the 31st March. If you have not already applied for this and your child is eligible for Free School Meals, please complete the application as follows:

<https://www.warrington.gov.uk/COVID2020-WG>

Marie Curie

Our Wear Yellow Day last Friday raised £253.27 for this very worthwhile charity.

Thank you to our families for all your generous donations.



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Uniform

We are increasingly seeing children mixing uniform with other clothing, including on non-PE days. Please refer to the uniform section in the current parent guide on the Parents tab on our website to ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform. M&S, Asda and Matalan are among the companies which sell uniform online, if you are unable to go to your usual shop. Purple jumpers and cardigans do not need to have the school badge on at this time, if they are difficult to source.

Please let us know if financial hardship is preventing you from buying appropriate uniform.

We also understand that parents may want their children's shoes to be correctly fitted and will need to wait for this to become available again. If your child has outgrown their shoes, please send them in sensible, weatherproof footwear for now.

PTFA Blue Bag Day

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



Planning a Spring clean and declutter? Then, please consider supporting our PTFA Bag2School fundraising day!

If you have any clean, good quality items from the list, please put them in your own bin bags and leave before 9am on Thursday 26th April in the pagoda at the front of school for collection.

BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTIONS ARE GO!



BAG2SCHOOL – FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS