

Hamilton School

Striving to be a great school where people work together to transform lives



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PDF are interactive*

Diary

Dates:

Spring Term 1 2021:

Mon 4 Jan to
Fri 12 Feb

Half Term:

Mon 15 Feb to
Fri 19 Feb

Spring Term 2:

Mon 22 Feb to
Thur 1 Apr

Half Term:

Fri 2 Apr to
Fri 16 Apr

Summer Term 1:

Mon 19 Apr to
Fri 28 May

Half Term:

Mon 31 May to
Fri 4 Jun

Summer Term 2:

Mon 7 Jun to
Wed 21 July



Newsletter

Jan / Feb 2021

We are now starting to upload home learning videos to our Youtube channel for everyone to use.



Find us on
YouTube

When searching the YT channels for 'Hamilton School Birmingham' look out for our 'HS' Logo.



There are currently only a few videos but we will be uploading new videos soon.



We understand that there are many families with less money than before Covid-19. If you need a food parcel, we can arrange this. Please let the teacher know in your weekly conversations, or alternatively email the Pastoral and Inclusion team directly at PandI@hamilton.bham.sch.uk



Creative Ideas to do at Home

Have you seen all of the fabulous ideas that our staff are sharing with you all on our Facebook page?

Ever since the first lockdown we have been scouring the internet for things you can make or do at home using things you can find around your house.

Recent ideas include:

Road Tracks



Box Monsters



Bird Feeders

We hope you have been enjoying these and we would love to see any photos of anything you have done with your children.

It's been a very challenging half-term for everyone. The impact of Covid-19 really hit the school over the Christmas holiday and in the weeks after. We have tried our best to support everyone in the best way we can.

We have worked hard to offer places to as many people as need them and the rota system has allowed us to do this. We are way above in terms of attendance for special schools nationwide. As you know, our students need a lot of adult support, and keeping things as safe as we can has been a challenge.

In partnership with 7Up, the after school provision has continued. This is the only provision of its type in the country as far as we know. Other after school provision for working parents of children with SEND does exist but if extra support is needed, the parents / carers have to pay.

Teachers and Teaching Assistants have worked very hard to provide a mixture of school and home based learning for the students. Thanks for your support with this and to the mini bus drivers who have been delivering learning packs and food parcels to some.

Covid-19 case rates remain very high and we will be in touch with you during the first week after half-term if there are any changes to what we can offer. Special School staff have now been offered the first dose of a vaccine and many, including myself, have taken up this offer. Some staff are also doing Lateral Flow Tests at home.

The weekly phone calls really help us to understand your needs and inform our actions. It continues to be a very challenging time for all of us. I know that we can continue to work together after half-term and deal with new challenges as they emerge.

Jon Harris





**Safer
Internet
Day 2021** | **Tuesday**
9th February
[saferinternetday.org.uk](https://www.saferinternetday.org.uk)



Safer Internet Day 2021 is being celebrated around the world on Tuesday 9th February 2021.

The global theme is 'together for a better internet' and this year in the UK we are putting the focus on how young people can tell fact from fiction, and work together to create an internet we trust.

Everyone has their part to play in making the internet a better place, including you!

Use these free resources to talk to your child about online safety this Safer Internet Day. This pack includes activities, conversation starters and information to help parents and carers talk to their children about how to navigate the issue of reliability of information online in a safe, responsible and engaging way.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2021/i-am-parent-or-carer>

#TogetherForABetterInternet

Get involved in the day

We have films, free resources,
top tips, a quiz, posters and more.



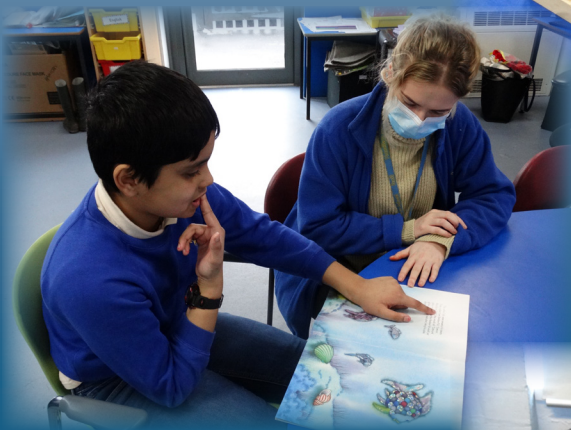
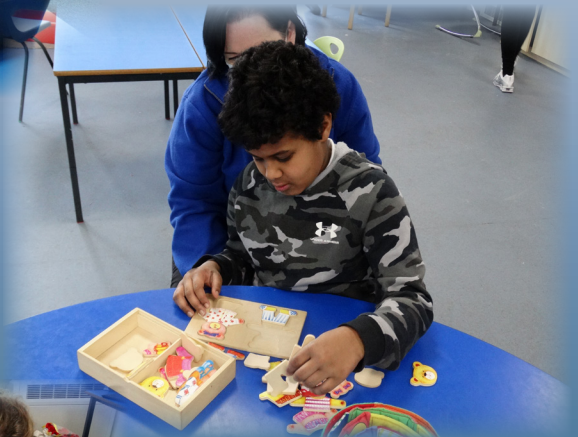
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**Safer
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**UK Safer
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Centre**







Brighter Beginnings⁺ **workshops for parents and carers**

Learn from our trainers in a supportive, non-judgemental space

Hear other parents' experiences; share as much or as little of your story as you wish

Free online sessions for parent carers in the West Midlands

Supporting your child to sleep – Weds 24th February [Book here](#)

Encouraging Positive Behaviour – Tues 2nd March [Book here](#)

Growing Up (Puberty) – Tues 9th March [Book here](#)

Your Wellbeing – Thurs 11th March [Book here](#)

Money Matters – Weds 17th March [Book here](#)

Education (School Age) – Tues 23rd March [Book here](#)

Education (Early Years) – Weds 24th March [Book here](#)

Siblings – Thurs 25th March [Book here](#)

Handling Meetings Effectively – Tues 30th March [Book here](#)

All sessions run 19:30 to 21:30 via Zoom

Further details from: claire.robinson@contact.org.uk





Help in a short-term crisis

Birmingham's Local Welfare Provision (LWP) scheme helps vulnerable people in short-term crisis with food and essential items. It is grant-based, which means people who receive help from it will not have to repay anything. It is not intended to replace the councils statutory duties.

Find out more here:

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20017/benefits_and_support/308/help_in_a_short-term_crisis

The website is split into the following sections for easy navigation.

In this section

- 1 Help in a short-term crisis
- 2 Who can get short-term help
- 3 Help with fuel
- 4 Other sources of help
- 5 Making a claim for short-term help



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SEND Virtual February Camp

Monday 15th - Thursday 18th February 2021



Be part of our family

GROUPS & TIMES

Infants: 8 -12 years old

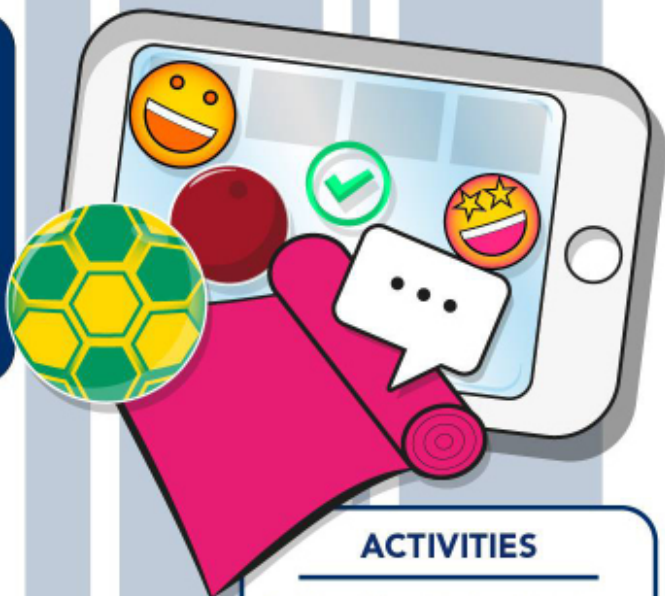
10:00am - 11:00am

Juniors: 12 - 16 years old

12:00pm - 1:30pm

Adults: 16+ years old

2:00pm - 3:30pm



HOSTED ON ZOOM

FREE TO ATTEND

First come first serve

ACTIVITIES

Each day will consist of a variety of activities such as, fitness workouts, sports challenges, quizzes, fun social games, talent show, fancy dress competitions/activities and many more..

General enquires contact Ajay Gill:

07468860149 or ajay.gill@albionfoundation.co.uk

Useful External Contacts:



The Waiting Room

<https://the-waitingroom.org/mth>

Birmingham and Solihull Health & Wellbeing services at your finger tips

TWR provides an alternative approach to taking control of our own health and well-being. It is a virtual bridge across "The Information Chasm" that connects support services to the recipient almost instantly.

If you're worried that a child is being harmed: Children's Advice and Support Service Birmingham

Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm

Friday: 8:45am to 4:15pm

Telephone: 0121 303 1888

Emergency out-of-hours

Telephone: 0121 675 4806

For your nearest foodbank:

01722 580 180

Email:

enquiries@trusselltrust.org



If your family need help:

Family Support Duty Line

0121 675 3689



Tel:
Email:
Web:

0121 464 1676
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www.hamilton.bham.sch.uk