



# PRIORS FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

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Dear Parents and Carers

Our first full week of remote learning has passed and the information and changes are still coming thick and fast from the Government. However, I hope that things are beginning to settle down into some sort of routine for those of you at home. It feels very much like we are operating two schools at the moment, one for those children in school and one for those learning at home but I want to reassure you that all the children follow the same writing, maths and reading activities on the class Padlet. I hope everyone appreciates that we are all working hard and trying our best to get the provision right for the children after only a week!

I do very much empathise with parents who are supporting remote learning at home with their children whilst also juggling work. All the staff recognise this can be extremely challenging as teaching methods may have changed since you were at school, or you have more than one child at home and are trying to juggle several different sets of activities; I firmly believe we are all heroes in our own ways during this pandemic and we are keen to support you all as much as we can.

I would like to thank all the kind parents who have sent us messages of appreciation, support and admiration for the staff. Your thoughts and understanding of the difficult position we are in is greatly valued.

Please all stay safe and together we will get through this; the vaccination programme is now being rolled out, as we know, so we look forward to a time when we once again ALL learn, play and mix together.

Have a good weekend, Katie Gane



## Homelearning Information

I hope everyone has received Mrs Braley's email today. Here is a summary of the information to help you.

### Padlets

The Padlets are your go-to resource for all things home learning related. You can find the Padlets via the Priors Field School website, or directly by clicking on the following links:

- Reception [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/8gziujxn7g6kbrz](https://padlet.com/braley_k/8gziujxn7g6kbrz)  
Year 1 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/cmlia4j0wfybfkfh](https://padlet.com/braley_k/cmlia4j0wfybfkfh)  
Year 2 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/xpyd87n93jodey2n](https://padlet.com/braley_k/xpyd87n93jodey2n)  
Year 3 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/16hq0udl1vidpz8j](https://padlet.com/braley_k/16hq0udl1vidpz8j)  
Year 4 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/cu230xuz06jmc6d1](https://padlet.com/braley_k/cu230xuz06jmc6d1)  
Year 5 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/l8jcpnpro2n5iixu](https://padlet.com/braley_k/l8jcpnpro2n5iixu)  
Year 6 [https://padlet.com/braley\\_k/zcm1jhdvd908nqkr](https://padlet.com/braley_k/zcm1jhdvd908nqkr)

These links will remain in place for the duration of lockdown so it might be worth adding them to your favourites bar for quick and easy access.

**It is really important that you visit the Padlet daily and hit the refresh button regularly to ensure you are seeing the most up-to-date content as it doesn't seem to update itself automatically.**

A timetable and any printable resources for the following week will be available from 3pm each Friday, but other resources such as video messages, recorded PowerPoints etc will be added as the week progresses.

If you have any issues accessing any of the materials please do get in touch and we will do our best to help you as quickly as we can.

## Reading Books

Many of our children are doing an excellent job of keeping up with their reading at home using Bug Club, but there is nothing quite like a good old-fashioned book that you can hold in your hands! Therefore, from next week, we are going to set up a self-service library under the covered area at the end of the playground so that the children can change their colour-banded reading books. The guidelines are as follows:

- The library will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays during school hours (please avoid 10.30 - 11am and 12-1pm)
- Try and limit your visit to once per week
- You may borrow up to 3 books each week.
- Please read these alongside your Bug Club allocation. This is to ensure we have enough reading materials for everyone
- Please return books to the clearly marked tray rather than the individual boxes. We will then quarantine these books and safely add them back to their correct boxes at a later stage
- Please continue to record reading in the reading record
- If you feel your child may be ready to move on to the next colour band, please get in touch with the class teacher to discuss first

## Top ICT Tips

If you have an iPhone or an iPad, here is a brilliant hack for using your phone as a scanner so that you can send work in as one quick PDF document, rather than several photos:

[Scan Documents Using the Notes App](#)

## Live Sessions

We are really enjoying seeing the children during our live sessions and hope they are enjoying them too - it is so important for them to feel connected to their teachers and friends.

We will be introducing live sessions for Years 1, 2 & Reception next week so please look out for further details arriving separately.

## School Information

A couple of reminders for children who have just joined us:

## Fruit Snack in school

Over the next few weeks we will not be receiving our usual delivery of fruit. Therefore please can you send your child into school with a fruit snack for play times.

## Attendance

In order for parents to know their child has safely arrived at school please can all children be escorted to the playground by an adult in the mornings, and not left to come on to the school site unaccompanied. This will enable us to monitor accurately those children we are expecting to attend that day.

## Headteacher Awards



I have been so impressed with all the learning taking place this week, both in and out of school. Thank you to all our parents and carers for your support in home learning.

This week the teachers have nominated these children for a Headteacher award. Well done to all of them!

Year R – Edward and Harry  
Year 1 – Naomi and Efe  
Year 2 – Max and Chloe S  
Year 3 – Leo and Dylan  
Year 4 – Iga and Mac  
Year 5 – Harry and Erin  
Year 6 – Hadyn and Harrison H



Efe, Year 1



Leo, Year 3    Mac, Year 4    Harry, Year 5

# COMMUNITY NEWS

Please click on the link to see the latest edition of Families Warwickshire magazine

[Families Warwickshire Jan-Feb 2021](#)

## Warwick University - Online education resources for school children

As part of their Community Engagement work, Warwick University has pulled together some resources for those who are home-schooling their children.

There is a range of resources for different ages and it has been created to support parents, children and teachers during lockdown.

All resources can be accessed [here](#).

## Advice and support for your family during Covid-19

[Family Information Service Newsletter](#)

– providing ongoing support and advice about Covid-19 for families across Warwickshire.

Please click on the link for further support if required.



### Useful links:

- Warwickshire Welfare Scheme – [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfarescheme)
- Bereavement support – COVID – 19 Support WES EPS
  - [helpline@cruse.org.uk](mailto:helpline@cruse.org.uk) or 0808 808 1677
  - [www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/coping-with-bereavement/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/coping-with-bereavement/)
- Family Information Service – [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies)
- Domestic Abuse Helpline – [www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk](http://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk)
- Citizens Advice Service – [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)
- Young Carers – 02476 217740
- Samaritans Helpline – 116 123 or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)
- Childline – 0800 1111