

BVS Fortnightly

Fortnightly news update from Bure Valley School



MESSAGE FROM MR OLNEY, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your understanding, support and patience since returning to school. We're trying really hard to strike a balance between strictly following government guidance and developing systems that are practical for parents and carers, particularly at drop off and collection times. We know that for families with more than one child, and for families with children at different settings, staggered start and end times are not easy.

Returning to school following any summer break is always an exciting and apprehensive time for parents and carers, pupils and staff too: different teachers, new classrooms and changed routines all play their part. This year, emotions might well be more diverse because for so many, the break from school has been an extremely long one and Covid-19 is still very much a part of our lives.

We have been preparing for this moment for some time now and so we are delighted that the vast majority of children have settled really, really well. Children are becoming accustomed to the new routines and in no time, they will feel like the norm for us all. On the whole, the children have been very resilient, but if you have concerns about your child please do contact the school.

Keeping everyone safe, and our school open, will take vigilance and co-operation from everyone in our school community. The responsibility lies with us all, both in and out of school. However, we promise to do all that we can to make our setting as Covid secure as it can be. We will continue to adhere to the advice and recommendations of the Department for Education.

Whilst C-19 is at the forefront of our minds, and rightly so, we must not lose sight of other aspects of school life that are equally as important. Lessons are now in full swing; the playground is again filled with the sound of children playing and our pupils are back in school developing their knowledge and skills. We promise that your children, despite our Covid controls, will get full access to a balanced and varied curriculum. We will give everything we have to make sure your children's experience of school, with all that is going on around them in the outside world, is a positive one.

It is a difficult time for us all, so now more than ever we need to be there for each other, be flexible and show understanding. We are here to help if we can.

Warmest regards,

J Olney





MUSIC UPDATE

Music is an important part of BVS and we're looking forward to our curriculum music lessons starting soon.

1-2-1 Lessons: This week some of our 1-2-1 peripatetic music teaching began again. We are able to offer piano, guitar, ukulele, woodwind, string and brass lessons in school. If you are interested in this and want to find out more, please contact the school office who will be able to give you more information.



Choir: In previous years we have run a very successful choir at the school. The current guidelines mean we aren't able to run this in the same way but we are hoping to make an online provision with some exciting projects for choir members to get involved in. More details on this soon!



Cluster Orchestra: Some of our children have also taken part in the Aylsham Community Ensemble which had been meeting at BVS. This is currently being run online and you can find out more information and sign up for this via the Norfolk Music Hub website -



<https://www.norfolkmusicHub.org.uk/site/ensemble-map/aylsham>

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Just to remind you that the kitchen will be providing the following food on a daily basis. Priced at £2.30, please pay via parentpay.

Monday - Friday

Sandwich, Baguette or roll with a choice of fillings: egg, cheese, chicken, tuna or ham

On a Friday, in addition to the usual daily fillings, there will be an extra option of sausage or veggie sausage

