Tune in on Tuesday

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School Updates

Staff continue to keep the school open for children of a handful of key worker families and vulnerable children. The school office is open and please continue to ring in if you need to speak to a member of staff. Please leave a message if it goes to answerphone and someone will get back to you.

We all hope that our families are keeping well and staying safe.

Moving Forward

As a result of the announcements made yesterday, I am certain that you all will have many questions and be thinking what this means for you.

I have now received the Government guidance regarding the phased reopening of schools and will be in regular discussions with all the local Bedworth Schools and the Local Authority regarding the guidance. Please be reassured that our plan will have health and safety of everyone at the heart of it - we will share this with you when completed.

In the short term please be aware that nothing has changed but be assured that I will act promptly to provide further information in the coming days and weeks once I am able to do so.

Meanwhile please stay safe and well.



On a lighter note our blue tits are back. We can see that both mum and dad are busy feeding their chicks - we think there are at least four possibly five.



Farewell to Mrs Aviss

A huge thank you to Mrs Aviss for all her hard work and dedication to the school over the past few years. She has moved into a new direction but still in education. We wish her all the best and hope to have a proper farewell in the coming months.

School photographs

Many of you have not had your school photographs as we all went into lockdown so quickly in March. We have heard from the photographer who reported that her lab also went into lockdown and has been closed ever since. Once the lock down is eased then they will complete all their pending work and post the photographs out to families.

Useful Information

Useful website for mental well-being: Every Mind Matters <u>https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-</u> matters/

School Health and Well-being Service - Compass

A health and wellbeing update from your school nurse team:

During the Coronavirus outbreak, the Warwickshire School Health and Well-being Service are still available to provide support – even if this may be given in a different way to usual! As such, the team will now be sending a weekly update to schools, where they will share resources, helpful tips, and relevant news and details of the support available for pupils and parents/carers. Please see **attached** leaflet dated 7th May.

Warwickshire County Council Coronavirus support line

Warwickshire County Council have set up a coronavirus helpline for parents/carers. Please take a look.

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirus Please contact if you are unsure about anything or would like answers to any questions you may have.

Free School Meals

If you are entitled to FSM then please sign up using the links on the school website. Once you have been accepted we will be notified and be able to forward supermarket vouchers (now takes the place of FSM).

There is also support available from the Warwickshire Welfare Service with regards to energy bills and other financial assistance. Please look at the website:

<u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/localwelfare</u> <u>scheme</u>

If you would like to be put forward for a foodbank parcel please telephone the school and we can arrange this for you.

Family Information Service

Please check out the latest information from the FIS.

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenand families

No Excuse for Abuse

Information received from **West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner**, as follows: There is #NoExcuseForAbuse If you are a victim of #DomesticAbuse, there is help available. Find out more and seek support. NoExcuseForAbuse.info Twitter Tags: @CRASAC @coventry_haven @FWTCov @Kairos_WWT @CovPartnership Facebook: @FWTCov @CoventryHaven @relatecoventrywarwickshire @CRASAC @Kairos.Coventry

Please also check the National Centre for Domestic Violence website below: <u>https://www.ncdvmagazine.co.uk/</u>

Teacher recruitment

Looking for a change of direction?

The Warwickshire Teaching School Alliance (WTSA) are actively looking for would-be teachers from any walk of life to join our School Centred Initial Teacher Training programme (SCITT); to encourage passionate and inspiring individuals into a profession which strives to give children the very best start in life.

Our course has been devised to develop highquality teachers to work in the early years and primary phases. In addition to covering all <u>Teaching Standards</u>, the course includes an emphasis on multi-agency working, leadership in the <u>EYFS</u>, working with 2-year-olds, SEN/D, and practitioner research. The programme benefits from the direct contributions of highly experienced teacher educators, and a wider team of early years specialists and placement mentors. The course also carries postgraduate accreditation (60 Masters credits) awarded by <u>Birmingham City</u> <u>University</u>. Alongside the taught element of the course you will experience placements across some of the best Nursery, Infant and Primary Schools across Warwickshire and Coventry for a total of 135 days on the job training.

At the end of the course you will have Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and gained the skills and resilience needed to teach children during their most important phases of development.

For more information please contact the WTSA Teaching School Coordinator Michelle Hutton on Hutton.m2@welearn365.com or follow the link below:

<u>https://www.find-postgraduate-teacher-</u> <u>training.service.gov.uk/results?l=3&query=The+</u> <u>Warwickshire+Teaching+School+Alliance</u>



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This week's feature: Sun Safety Awareness Week 2020

This week is Sun Safety Awareness Week 2020. As the weather gets warmer, lots of us will be spending time outdoors whenever we can. Spending time in the garden can be great for our wellbeing, but it's also important to protect ourselves from too much sun exposure.

Why should I be careful in the sun?

The sun gives off rays of light known as UV (ultraviolet) that can be harmful. Getting too many of these rays can lead to:

- An increased risk of developing skin cancer
- 🗘 Early skin aging such as wrinkles or leathery skin
- Damage to your eyes, which can cause blurred vision and cataracts

Remember, everyone is at risk of sun damage, it doesn't matter what age or ethnicity you are! However, you need to be especially careful if you have very fair skin or lots of moles.

How can I stay safe in the sun?

You can enjoy the outdoors safely with the 5 s's of sun safety:

- SLIP on a t-shirt. Covering our skin can be one of the most effective ways of protecting ourselves from the sun. You can choose loose fitting clothing to stay cool.
- SLOP on sunscreen. Always use a sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or above, preferably water resistant. Apply 20 minutes before you go outside and reapply every 2 hours or if you get wet or sweaty. Make sure you don't miss anywhere!
- SLAP on a broad brimmed hat. Wear a hat with a wide brim that shades the face, neck and ears.
- SLIDE on sunglasses. Protect your eyes with quality sunglasses that have the European CE mark.
- SHADE from the sun when possible. You should particularly seek the shade at the hottest time of the day between 11am and 3pm.

Source: www.skcin.org



Learn more about sun safety with George the Sun Safe Superstar, a fun animation for children: cutt.ly/sun-safe-superstar



Bank holiday weekend activities

Make a COVID-19 time capsule: <u>cutt.ly/time-capsule</u>

Get crafty with these CBeebies recycled crafts: <u>cutt.ly/recycled-crafts</u>

Bird-themed activites and online games from RSPB: <u>cutt.ly/rspb</u>

All sorts of activities from Save the Children: cutt.ly/save-the-children

Fun ideas from Countryfile: <u>cutt.ly/countryfile</u>

COVID-19 family guidance

Parenting support for Warwickshire families during COVID-19: cutt.ly/parenting

Compass info & resources for parents/carers: cutt.ly/coronavirus-parents-carers

Resources for people with autism and families: <u>cutt.ly/autism-resources</u>

Information for Warwickshire families: warwickshire.gov.uk/fis

Support accessing food: cutt.ly/accessing-food-advice

How to help your teenager stay home during lockdown: cutt.ly/teens-stay-home

Refuge Domestic Abuse Service Warwickshire: Call 0800 408 1552



Home learning resources

bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons

Timetable of free celebrity lessons: <u>cutt.ly/celeb-timetable</u>

Learning and fun from the Eden Project: <u>cutt.ly/eden-project</u>

Online learning from Canal & River Trust: cutt.ly/canal-river-trust

Learn about space with CBeebies Stargazing: cutt.ly/cbeebies-stargazing

Info and education resources for children and young people with SEND: <u>cutt.ly/SEND-education</u>

Emotional and mental health resources

Resources for professionals, parents/carers and young people: <u>camhs-resources.co.uk</u>

Every Mind Matters: Coronavirus & wellbeing nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters

Young Minds Coronavirus support: cutt.ly/young-minds-coronavirus

RISE resources: cwrise.com

For urgent support with mental health for children and young people, please call the 24/7 CW RISE supportline:

Children's Crisis Team at Whitestone on **02476 641 799** between 8am and 8pm

Coventry Crisis Team on **02476 938 000** between 8pm and 8am.

Your school nurse team is here to help!

We know these times can be unsettling for children, young people and families. Our school nurse team is here to provide support with any concerns or questions about health and wellbeing: get in touch using the details below for free, confidential advice.

Parents/carers

Service mainline: **03300 245 204** Text Parentline: **07520 619 376** Children/young people aged 11–19 years

Text ChatHealth: 07507 331 525

Just a quick question that's been on my mind the past few days

> No problem, we're here to help. What's on your mind?

www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service

