



Respect – Responsibility – Resilience – Kindness – Teamwork

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REMBRANCE

On Wednesday at 11:00 this week, everything stopped in school for 2 minutes silence. Despite what is going on in the world (and in school), it is important that we continue to take time to reflect with children on the significance of Remembrance Sunday.

Covid19

As you are aware, we have needed to close 3 class bubbles this week. Until now we seemed to have escaped the full force of the impact Covid19 has been having– compared to other schools.

As a new national lockdown was announced just over a week ago, we have reviewed our Risk Assessments in light of this. I will post these on our website on Monday (under our 'News' tab), once our Governors and I have taken one final look at these. Our staff have also contributed to a full review. This includes our 1 –way system (see opposite).

I am also sending out additional guidance with this newsletter today on some FAQ's. This includes information on what to do if one of your children needs to isolate but your other child does not. I will post this also under our 'news'.

Ofsted

As you may recall, we were visited by Ofsted in October for the day. This was to gather information about how we were responding to the demands which Covid is presenting. We were very pleased with how the visit went. Ofsted have now written to us with their summarised findings and I have posted this on our website under 'news'.

Being Respectful to our Neighbours

Please help us stay on friendly terms with our neighbours.

I have received 2 phone calls this week from separate neighbours who tell me they were verbally abused by parents. This occurred as they claim a car was parked on, or too near their drive.

Whereas I am unsure of the precise nature of what happened, I cannot support any parent who chooses to act in such a manner. *If this was you - please don't!*



**Final amount
raised for 2020...
£205.52**

Christmas Hamper Scheme

We are very fortunate in our community to have the wonderful support of our local churches. St Hugh's Centre provides the local food bank and supports many families in the local area. Each year they provide Christmas hampers to families who are struggling, this year especially could see more feeling the financial burden. If you know any family who may benefit from some extra food in their cupboards then please contact Mrs Sheard in school and we shall arrange collection or delivery (i.sheard@hoylecourt.bradford.sch.uk).

Rotary Club, Christmas Tree appeal

Hoyle Court Primary School also has the support of Shipley Rotary Club. Each year the club provides many of our children who may not receive presents during Christmas, with a gift.

This year especially may be difficult for many families struggling with financial pressures due to Covid19. The Club has taken special measures to ensure that Covid does not stop them providing for anyone in need and this year they are looking to provide families with vouchers. Again please contact Mrs Sheard in school or email;

i.sheard@hoylecourt.bradford.sch.uk. There are no specific requirements or details needed- just the name and age of the child/children and school will arrange collection/delivery with parents.



Community Champion- Morrisons

We can also refer families to The Community Champion at Morrisons in Guiseley. They are also helping anyone who may be struggling to feed their family. Please contact Mrs Sheard in school.

The final amount raised by Lucy in year 6 for Cancer Research is **£935.15**— an amazing achievement.

Welcome

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Mr Smith (Richard), our new Site Manager. Many of you have already introduced yourself. Richard will continue to help us out each morning on the school gates.

IMPORTANT: STARTING MONDAY (New 1-way system)

Most parents have adhered to expectations around drop-off and pick-up times each day. This includes:

- Only 1 parent being present
- Arriving at the correct time
- Leaving as soon as you can (no chatting in groups)
- Maintaining social distancing (including not coming over the blue line on our car park).

Despite this, one of the challenges we have faced at Hoyle court is only having one gate. This means that a 1-way system could not be operated. This is our preferred choice as it means no 'cross-over' of parents entering or leaving the school grounds. However, our new 'side gate' is now installed and ready for use.

From Monday a new system will be in place that we need everyone to adhere to. Our main gate will be used as an **entrance only** and our side gate will be side as an **exit only**.

- **If your child is in Reception**, you can drop off your child at the classroom doors as normal – but you then continue walking around the school building and leave via our new side gate / exit on our playground.
- **If your child is in year 1/2**, you can walk around to back playground through our main / front gate as usual – but then you must leave via the side gate / exit on our playground. You must not 'double back' on yourself to leave through the main / front gate as you have previously. Remember to not go beyond the key stage 1 fenced-off area (up to the classroom doors)
- **If your child is in years 3/4**, you can drop them off on the car park in the usual place – don't go beyond the double blue line marking please.
- **If your child is in year 5/6**, they can enter by themselves around the right hand side of our school building by themselves as normal.

Important: If you have children in more than one key stage, please remember that you cannot now 'double back' on yourself as once you have come through our main gate / entrance you are effectively in a 1-way system.

If we can make this work well, this will help in keeping us all safe. If it works really well – we can possibly reduce our staggered starts and drop-offs; something we will keep a close eye on.

To help with this, from Monday we are politely requesting that parents WEAR A FACE MASK when coming onto our school grounds. As the R-Rate across Bradford continues to be extremely high, this is something we hope as many of you as possible will support us on.