



## Bampton Church of England School Newsletter | 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back, I hope that you have all had a restful and safe festive break. The children have returned back to school today for a fresh new spring term full of exciting learning and enrichment opportunities planned. You will receive letters, curriculum planner and Knowledge Organisers from the class teachers on Wednesday and then the fortnightly newsletters will begin again from next week. You can also see the daily and weekly learning taking place through our Twitter feeds and can make contact with class teachers through the school office as usual.

I am aware that there may be some reservations around returning to school with COVID infection rates being high across the United Kingdom at present. As a Trust we have been keeping a close eye on any announcements and considering the Department of Education advice which was sent to us earlier this week. We are still awaiting an updated Risk Assessment from Devon and will send this out for your perusal in due course. Until then, please see below some key information taken from the Department of Education information and safety measures that will be in place to support keeping everyone in school and safe. Please note these safety measures could change if Devon's risk assessment does:

Department of Education Information:



### Dates for your diary

5th January 2022

First day of Term

21st - 25th February 2022

Half Term week

8th April 2022

Last day of term

- Our shared priority is to keep education settings open and children and young people continuing face-to-face education.
- As pupils do not need to be kept in consistent groups, you may wish to consider combining classes.
- Individuals may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. If they are positive, then the 10 day isolation period must continue.
- Face coverings to be used in communal areas by staff.

Bampton CE Primary School safety measures:

- Parents to continue using the one-way system when dropping off and collecting their children, please remember to wear face masks when on school grounds.
- Children will be asked to hand sanitise on entry to school and regular, supervised handwashing will take place throughout the day.
- Tables, equipment, and regular touch points will be cleaned down at key points in the day.
- Staff will complete Lateral flow tests at least twice a week.
- Staff will wear face masks in communal areas but not in classrooms.
- CO2 monitors will be used in classrooms to support in monitoring ventilation.
- Children will eat together in the hall unless there is an outbreak then this will be reviewed but all doors and windows will be open.
- Children will have lunch and play time together unless there is an outbreak then this will be reviewed.

If you have any questions, please contact the class teacher or School Improvement Lead, Mr. Devereaux, in the first instance.

Wishing you all a successful spring term.

Kind regards,



Mr Bladon

Headteacher