



*'Be safe, be kind.  
Listen and think a lot.  
Be your best!'*



# *The Perryfields Post*

## *Parent/teacher contact*

Perryfields Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that everyone is keeping well.

I just wanted to make you aware that teachers have started to contact parents and children in their classes during this time of partial school closure. I'm sure that several, if not all of you have had these calls already. Staff will be contacting you once every two to three weeks to ensure that all children have a regular 'check in' with their teacher. The Senior Leadership Team will also be making calls. It has been wonderful to touch base with parents and children and just have a quick catch up. This is an ideal opportunity for you to let us know what is and isn't working well about home schooling but most importantly discussing your child's and families well-being. With such a long break from school it is really important that children have the opportunity to keep in touch and even speak to their teachers (if they want to). If the teachers/LSAs are unable to reach you, where possible, they will always leave a message and try to contact you again at a later time.

Should you need to contact your child's class teacher, they are contactable through DB Primary during the week. The school office is also open the majority of the time to help with any queries that you may have.

Everyone is doing such a fab job by following the social distancing rules and keeping themselves safe and well. Take care.

Mrs Champion has found a lovely online Coronavirus book by Alex Scheffler explaining what the virus is at a child's level of understanding. Please have a look at this and share with your child if you feel it is appropriate and they are asking questions. Please see the link on our school website on the Working from Home tab.

## *SCHOOL TRANSITIONS*

Recently I have had some communication and questions about future transitions into the next year groups for the children and I appreciate that there maybe some anxious children and parents at this current time. I would like to reassure everyone that we have several ideas for future transitions but it is still too early in the term to be thinking about this. Normal transitions usually start in mid June and until we have an idea of a possible school re-opening date we are unable to put any of these plans into action. As yet we have been given no indication of when this will be.

There are various transitions for the team to plan for. Firstly, pre-school children starting school in September, the Foundation Stage children moving to Year 1 and the National Curriculum, Year 1 moving to Year 2 and of course Year 2 moving to the junior school. Being optimistic the children may still get some time in their current year groups this year but if not our transitions will take this into consideration.

In the current situation I would just like to reassure everyone that when we plan these transitions the children's care, friendships and well being are all taken into consideration in addition to their education.

# DB PRIMARY AND E-SAFETY

The feedback we've been given from parents so far is that you've been able to access the home learning from our website and follow the plans set by the class teachers which is wonderful. The children seem to be enjoying using Purple Mash and DB Primary to mail their teachers and friends as well as doing some literacy and maths activities.

Please can I remind all parents about the importance of E-safety and to always be aware of which sites the children are going onto. Please monitor this, even when using DB Primary and ensure you know what comments and pictures your children are uploading. Please only type, upload and email suitable comments and photos. When using unfamiliar websites please ensure you are present where you can check the security for your children. Technology is great but remember to keep safe!

## BBC BITESIZE

If you would like any supplementary learning for your child there is now the BBC Bitesize online resources that you are able to access.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

There is also Oak National Academy online classroom.

<https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/>



**If you haven't already seen it, there is a special message that's been sent to all parents for the children of Perryfields Infants by email and via DB Primary.**

**Please take a look and show your child.**

**The link for the message is: <https://1drv.ms/u/s!An18fyasiTBhgS4qrKjiMY-LfNqw?e=8X2L3r> please copy & paste into your browser bar.**

## CLEANING JOB VACANCY

We currently have an excellent opportunity to work at Perryfields Infant School.

Are you a whizz with a duster? Can you zoom with a broom? Do you take pride in making everything sparkly and clean?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, hardworking person to join our small friendly team of cleaners. Previous experience is desirable but not essential.

The role involves undertaking various cleaning tasks around the school, including the use of some specialist machinery (training will be given), as well as emptying bins, cleaning floors, wiping surfaces, dusting, cleaning washroom areas etc.

Shift Pattern: 15 hours a week, 38 weeks per year + 5.1 holiday entitlement = £5,818.96 (£9 per hour excluding statutory holiday entitlement) overtime given for additional deep cleaning. The successful candidate can select the preferred shift pattern that best suit them to either 6:30am-9:30am or 3:00pm-6:00pm per day Mon – Fri.

Contract Type: Part-Time

Contract Term: Permanent

Start Date: ASAP

Date of interviews: To be arranged

Application Close: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020

For further information or an application pack please see the website or call/email the office on 01245 268714 or [office@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:office@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk).



# *We are really enjoying looking at all your lovely photographs—thank you.*

It has been fantastic to see so many wonderful photographs of children's learning and fun activities from home, which continue to go up on the school website. Please continue to share these with the school community by emailing them to [admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk)



Flower labelling by Thomas and 3D house making by Poppy.

*It is wonderful to see you all—keep smiling!*



Food Tasting



Grapefruit Face



Chocolate wins



Science experiments & yoga by Tara, telling the time by Amy and 3D house building by Alex.



**FANTASTIC PHOTOS!**





Telling the time by Abigail.



Painting pebbles outside by Rosie.



Learning about halves and quarters by Izzy.



Harry planting some seeds.



Poppy's work on labelling a plant.

***It is wonderful seeing you all looking so well.***