



Dear Parents/Carers,

The News!

Sometimes it is feeling like we are on the brink of everything getting really difficult again. There is no doubt now that we are in the midst of a second wave and we all have our own views about what should be done about it. In school, we have been preparing for how school can look if there is another lock-down – even as we know that schools closing is the last thing the Government wants to do. Whatever happens, we will remain hopeful, and we hope that the planning below will not be needed.

Here's what you can expect:

For Key Workers and some others

If you are a Key Worker, as before, your children will be welcome in school (so long as the governments allows it) – and this will also be true for some other children who were in school during the previous lock down. These children will be taught for most of the time by the LSAs in their year groups, which will free up the class teachers to deliver a more structured home-learning experience.

Home Learning

We want to develop this from last time, so this is what you can expect:

- There will be a daily video from the teachers, able to be down-loaded in your own time. These will give some instruction and activities to be done during the day. There may be some live zoom lessons, especially in KS2, and these may be recorded for those who can't make them to view.
- We are setting up Google Classroom so that learning activities can be completed online, and feedback given back to children online. This is likely to suit KS2 more than KS1, but we will be exploring this for Years 1-6. Teachers will also be able to use the present communication channels to you.
- We will provide some work book material for Maths and English, and there will be activities across most of the curriculum – and we hope lots of work-outs again!
- We want to improve the amount of feedback to your children for their work submitted – please understand that it will not be possible to give detailed feedback for everything!

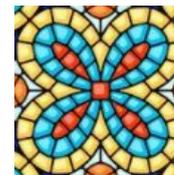
**Live Fully, Laugh Often, Learn Deeply,
Love as God Loves You and Let Your Light Shine**

Learn Deeply

I love going round the school, and this week we had a focus on 'Learning Deeply' in Monday's Worship....here are some pics from around the school showing children focussing on their learning:



Year 4s have been making Roman mosaics, including cutting small tiles to shape.



Year 6s have done some amazing amazing Egyptian pictures – here are Teri's and Rohan's:



2C have been focussing on keeping their hockey sticks low and dribbling the ball.



Margaret is doing really well at the violin which she has only recently started.



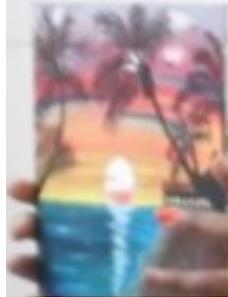
Great excitement in FS where a snail has been discovered – abandon everything and learn about snails!



It's also amazing how concentrated the children are when they are putting their hands in shaving foam!



Rev Ramona joined us for church this week – thank you to 2M for leading it – and showed us her own beautiful artwork. How fortunate we are to have creative and inspiring ministers to lead us in worship.



Another *thank you* – the food bank collectors were overwhelmed by your generosity when they came to collect all your gifts on Monday. Thank you so much.



Meet Adhi – this is what a pupil looks like who is explaining what an adverbial clause is, and what punctuation is needed for them!



With what little courage he had left, Theresa boldly struck the Minotaur.

Salivating at the sight of it, Mr Barlow slowly bit the chocolate bars.

Many congratulations to Maisie for achieving her green belt at Kick Boxing.



Message from Essex County Council

Secondary School Applications for September 2021 – Reminder for Year 6 Parents

As you may be aware, the statutory closing date for applications from parents of Year 6 children, (for a secondary school place in Year 7 from September 2021) is **31 October 2020.**

Please be reminded that if you have yet to submit an application, you must do so **by 31 October 2020.**

Applications can be made via our website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Lunchtime Menu—Week beginning Monday 19th October 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Pasta with Tomato Sauce or Cheese	Cumberland Sausage with Gravy	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Minced Beef Mexican Style Burritos
Served with Mixed Salad	Served with New Potatoes, Baked Beans or Peas	<u>OR</u>	<u>OR</u>
Fresh Fruit Selection	<u>OR</u> Gluten Free Spicy Bean Burger	Roasted Seasonal Vegetable Parcels	Vegetable Fajitas
	Chunky Flapjack	Chocolate Ice Cream	Served with Sweetcorn
			Chilled Yoghurts



Have you booked your Zoom parents' meeting slot yet?

9am to 6pm,
Friday 23rd October 2020

To book a slot with your child's teacher visit [Scopay.com](https://www.scopay.com)
Bookings will close at 11am on Thursday 22nd October 2020.

Your child's teacher will send you an invitation via email in time for your slot.

TRUST GOD NO MATTER WHAT

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned. Nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the Lord your God."

Isaiah 43:2-3a

Need encouragement ? visit www.masterwhatmatters.org.

Looking Ahead

Tuesday 20th October— Church led by 4S, 9.20am

Wednesday 21st October—Year 3 trip to Celtic Harmony Camp, 9am to 3pm

Friday 23rd October—Non pupil day;
Parents Meetings, 9am to 6pm



Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October—Half term break

Monday 2nd November— Individual photos (details tbc)

Tuesday 3rd November—Church led by 5E via Zoom, 9.20am

Friday 6th November—6A Class Assembly via Zoom, 9.20am



Tuesday 10th November—Church led by 2C, via Zoom, 9.20am

Friday 13th November—2M Class Assembly via Zoom, 9.20am

Tuesday 17th November—Church led by 6FT via Zoom, 9.20am

Friday 20th November—3B Class Assembly via Zoom, 9.20am

Tuesday 24th November—Church led by 3M via Zoom, 9.20am

Friday 27th November—4HG Class Assembly via Zoom, 9.20am

Tuesday 1st December—Church led by 5B via Zoom, 9.20am

Friday 4th December—3B Class Assembly, 9.20am

Friday 18th December—Last day of term

Community News/Notices

Please visit the 'News/General News' section on our website for useful organisations, websites and local community information.

The Bishops' School

Please report absences by telephoning or emailing:

01245 460107 / admin@bishops.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.bishops.essex.sch.uk



Please can you help your child to remember to bring everything they need with them into school each morning. Please try to avoid bringing *forgotten items* to the office; essential items only, thank you.

