



# Brundall School News - 7

## December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

With this newsletter we are also sending a letter to parents and carers from Sue Tough, the Director of Children's Services for Norfolk.

She highlights the intention of keeping schools open wherever possible and safe and that the rate of infection in Norfolk is staying steady and below national rates.

Against this background, she also points out that schools, like the communities they serve, can be places where the Covid and other infections are transmitted. We continue to take measures to reduce the incidence of transmission. This includes taking advice from the Outbreak Management Centre. The Director notes that this means that different schools, even neighbouring schools, may be taking slightly different measures because of specific circumstances and advice.

We are hopefully coming to the end of an isolation period for our Bittern and Nightingale classes. We will review the situation again next Monday and if numbers continue to remain low, we will revert to our regular school day and inform parents accordingly.

We are also pleased to announce that the Friends of Brundall School are planning to host an outdoor informal event on Tuesday December 14. This will include hot chocolate, mince pies and other seasonal goodies. Christmas songs will be performed by the Mighty Brundertones, and hopefully, there will be some communal carol singing. It will take place with performers on the decking in the Key Stage 2 playground, so that we can socially distance and minimise potential risk.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding as we continue to move through this process.

R Stuart-Sheppard

### Reception Admissions September 2022

Do you have a child who will be five between  
1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018?  
If so, your child could start school full-time in  
September 2022.

Parents should apply online at  
[www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk)  
or call 0344 800 8020. Applications are now open and  
should be made online to Norfolk County Council.

Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

A copy of the Parents' Guide is available on the  
website [www.norfolk.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/schooladmissions)



Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Don't forget to book your child's Traditional  
Christmas Lunch on parentpay.

*Roast Chicken with stuffing and a Chipolata Sausage,  
Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Carrots, Peas and  
Gravy  
Or  
Vegetable Pastry Cracker*



Vaccination UK will be visiting the school again on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December to see any of the children who were absent previously but requested the vaccine. If you have previously returned your consent form there is no need to return an additional form. Any parent who would like their child included but did not return the form previously can collect a copy from the school office.

Brundall School is saving used postage stamps on behalf of Guide Dogs for the Blind please. Please bring them to the school office, where there is a collection box. Thank you



## dates to Remember



Flu Vaccine	13 <sup>th</sup> December
(for children who did not receive it previously)	
Christmas Lunch	15 <sup>th</sup> December
Term Ends	17 <sup>th</sup> December
Term Start	Children return to school on Wednesday 5th January 2022
Year 6 French Trip	28 <sup>th</sup> February - 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Covid In the Community

If your child has any of the following symptoms,

- **a high temperature** – this means they feel hot to the touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)
- **a continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste**

they should self-isolate and you should inform the school office of their absence in the usual way.

You should immediately order or take your child for a PCR test. If the PCR result is negative, they can stop self-isolating (unless instructed to self-isolate for other reasons) and if well enough they can return to school

If the PCR result is positive, they must self-isolate until 10 days after their symptoms started.

Please remember to report all absences to the school office. Leave your child's name, class and brief reason for their absence.



Government guidelines state that we should keep rooms well ventilated to minimize the spread of Covid-19. With that in mind, all classrooms will have windows and doors open for periods throughout the day. All classes have CO2 readers to monitor levels.

Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing to keep them warm, both for inside and outside. We recommend waterproof coats, hats, scarves and plenty of layers. Additional fleece and jumpers can be worn, even if they do not display the school logo. For health and safety reasons, coats and blankets cannot be worn or used in the classroom.

Please remember to label your child's clothes and possessions.

We understand this is not ideal in a learning environment, but we are doing our best to keep everyone safe.

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