

Hunters Hall Primary School Stay at home Snippets

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to announce that all children will be returning to school during the week beginning the 8th March. I am sure, whilst this is good news for us all, we must return with caution and recognise that, although the virus transmission rate is declining, we need to continue with social distancing measures, regular hand washing and good hygiene practices. All adults must continue to wear a facemask unless they are exempt.

We look forward to welcoming all our children back and are keen to keep our entire school community safe. Please see the attached letter from our borough's Director of Public Health, who requests that all children are regularly tested to limit the spread of the virus once we are fully operational again. His letter sets out how and where to obtain a test.

This week the school management has been responding to government announcements and subsequent written guidance. We have just met with the Chair and Vice-Chair of our Governing Body, and will send a letter early next week, outlining our reopening arrangements. It is vital that we support those children who have not attended school since before the Christmas holiday and reintegrate everyone in a healthy and supportive way.

Best wishes,

Selina Frazer, Headteacher.

Music Mark





Dear Head Teacher,

Congratulations on becoming a 2020/21 Music Mark School!

Your school has been nominated and financially supported by your local Music Service/Hub to become a Music Mark School. They have recognised the value that you place on music and asked us to add you to the growing number of Music Mark Schools.

We would like to thank you for all the hard work you and your colleagues do to ensure that pupils at your school are able to access and engage with a high-quality music education. Your dedication to offering and delivering a broad and balanced curriculum is both welcomed and celebrated. I am therefore delighted to enclose your Music Mark School certificate which I hope you will feel able to share with your whole school community.

http://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/music/59.html

Communication

We continue to use our Parenthub and/or Twitter feed https://twitter.com/Huntershallps to communicate messages during the time that the school is closed to most pupils in order to provide childcare to critical workers' children. Home Learning activities, which are updated weekly, can be located here: https://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/home-learning/489.html

Remember that each year group has an email address:

Reception@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk Yone@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk Ytwo@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk Ythree@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

Yfour@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk Yfive@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk Ysix@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

You can send questions or work to the relevant year group. (Responses will be given during working hours Monday to Friday)

Work should be submitted daily to the relevant year group email. Where applicable, feedback will be provided to the children.

Please send any Covid related queries to: covid@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

Letter from Director of Public Health



Barking Town Hall 1 Town Square Barking 11 7LU

26 February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers.

Covid 19 testing for pupils who do not have symptoms (asymptomatic)

I am writing to you as your local Director of Public Health to let you know about the increase in Covid-19 testing in the borough.

Owing to the number of Covid-19 cases locally, we are carrying out a programme of asymptomatic testing (for people not experiencing any symptoms). These tests will help to reduce the risk of people without symptoms unknowingly spreading the virus to others in the community.

To keep schools safe and protect the wider community, I am encouraging all pupils who are attending school to get a test. This is particularly important as we prepare for all children to return to school from 8th March.

I strongly encourage anyone they live with to get a test also to make sure that anyone who may be infectious does not come to school with the virus and potentially start an outbreak.

How do I book a test if I don't have symptoms?

Go to the government website https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test where you'll be asked some questions. Select the following options:

- NO to essential worker
- NO to having symptoms
- NO to being part of a trial or pilot
- YES My local council or health protection team has asked me (or someone I live with) to get a test, even though I do not have symptoms

You can book your whole family by choosing 'add family members'.

I can't get to a testing centre, can we get tested at home?

Yes, you can ask to receive your test by post. When you are making your booking, answer "Yes" to "Is the person who needs a test part of a trial or government pilot project" and select the option that says "The person is taking part in community testing".

What should I do if my child, or someone in our household, tests positive?

If you receive a positive test result, have symptoms of Covid-19, or if you've had contact with someone who has, self-isolation is the only way to guarantee you won't pass the virus on to others.

If you have to isolate, you should start the 10-day self-isolation period straight away.

My child has tested positive recently, do they need to take another test?

If your child has tested positive in the last 90 days, they should not take another test as the dead virus may still show in their system, even if they have recovered.

What if my family is already self-isolating?

If you've been asked to self-isolate by the NHS Test and Trace Programme or by our Public Health team you can still get tested by ordering a home testing kit. You still need to complete your period of self-isolation, even if you test negative as symptoms can take 10 days to show.

More information can be found on the government's website.

Thank you for your support during these difficult times. By working together we have seen a massive reduction in the number of cases in Barking and Dagenham since January. Covid-19 is still taking people's lives, but your continued efforts will help us stop the spread.

Yours faithfully,

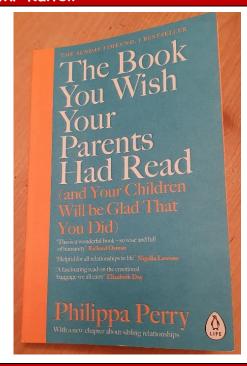
Matthew Cole Director of Public Health

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Book Recommendation from Mr Kaitell

Recently, Miss Gurry, our English Lead for KS1, gave me a copy of this book:

"The Book You Wish Your Parents Had Read (and Your Children Will Be Glad That You Did)" written by renowned psychotherapist, Philippa Perry. Having read it during half term - I wanted to share it with you as it not only highlights the very essence of the Thrive Approach that we embed here at Hunters Hall, but does so in a non-judgemental way. It will help you to understand how your own upbringing may affect your parenting; accept that you will make mistakes and learn what you can do about them; break negative cycles and patterns; handle your own and your child's feelings, and understand what different behaviours communicate.



Walk 12000 steps every day in March



At Saint Francis Hospice, the nurses walk, on average, 12000 steps every single shift, caring for local people who are suffering with life limiting illnesses. Support our amazing nurses by stepping into their shoes and walking 12000 steps a day for 12 days. #StepUpforSFH

We are asking all of our Hunters Hall community to join in. You might decide to share the daily 12000 as a family; take the stairs wherever possible; try walking on the spot while watching TV; take a walk in the park at lunchtime; go by foot when nipping to the shop. The options are endless.

Please make sure you adhere to the current coronavirus restrictions for your local area during this challenge.

You can find details of the current restrictions here: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus
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Saint Francis Hospice is a leading provider of palliative care for people living in Havering, Brentwood, Redbridge, Barking & Dagenham. They care for people from 18 years of age, of any race or religion, who have a life limiting illness due to cancer, heart disease, motor neurone disease or respiratory disease and we provide physical, spiritual and emotional care and support to patients and their families.

Click here to Step Up!

Parent Hub

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We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.

Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

- 1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
- 2. Create yourself an account.
- 3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

@HuntersHallPS



School uniform can be purchased online: www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/

Or

Telephone: 01992 763679

Email: info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk

Home learning on our website

We have added a new home learning tab on our website opening page. This will enable you to navigate to the remote learning provision for each year group.

Click the image to be taken directly to the page.



Home Learning

Zarif 2T and Zaima 4N have been busy making their own snow terrarium.



Year 4 - Home Learning The Romans



by Hallie 4R

Red Nose Day 19th March 2021



On Friday 19th March, everybody at Hunters Hall Primary School will be encouraged to wear red and/or dress up as a superhero.

When you donate to Comic Relief, you're supporting people living incredibly tough lives, in the UK and around the world. Our vision is to create a just world free from poverty and were doing this by funding amazing organisations doing amazing things.

We will be encouraging everyone to donate £1 via the link below:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednosedayhhps

RED NOSE DAY AT SCHOOL

Red Nose Day is back on **Friday 19 March**. The world needs a life-changing laugh more than ever, so we'd love you to join in the fun – at school or from home.

We know that schools are having a really tough time. That's why, whether you go big or keep it simple, we still think you're super.



Year 2

This week in year 2 we have been learning about the importance of eating healthy. The children also had the chance to make their own healthy and balanced meal. Well done year 2!





Darta 6Y and Dilans RM had alien pancakes.

Pancake Day Images

Good morning! Eliana of 4N would like to share her personalised pancake. She made a choco swirl and a choco cinnamon pancake.

She swirled the choco batter first then poured the normal pancake batter.

For choco cinnamon batter. She mixed some cocoa powder and a teaspoon of cinnamon and 1/2 cup sugar in the original pancake powder.

And of course topped with maple syrup.

Thank you. Mrs Ting Co



Hi!

Zachariah 4R made "happy" and "wow" emoji pancakes designed with his favourite Nutella and banana.

Hope you like them.

Kind regards, Mrs Priola





Saule's pancake day 🙂

Hello dear school!

As today is pancake day Luca wanted to mark this day by cooking with his mother.

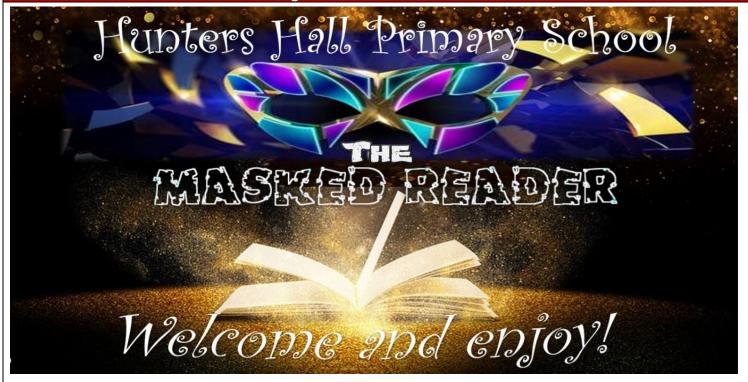
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Sincerely Ms Atonoaei!





Coming soon...The Masked Reader



Emoji Book Challenge for World Book Day



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Year 5 Home Learning

We set the children the task of making their own solar systems at home. Charlie and Millie in 5A and Henry in 5S made these and would like them to be shared with everyone.



