



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the school.

Welcome back to our lovely school. The past two months of Lockdown have been particularly tough for everyone. Thank you to every family for supporting school with their children's remote learning. It's been an interesting time for all!

We only have three weeks of school left before the Easter holidays. This precious time will be used to settle the children back into daily school life, support their well-being and assess any gaps in learning so that we can teach a bespoke (recovery curriculum) to meet the individual needs of all learners.

### **Positive COVID cases reminder**

If your child tests positive for COVID-19, having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school, then please notify school using the usual email address - **positivecovid@beestonprimary.org**. We will then follow the Government guidelines in notifying the relevant parties to any bubble closures. Learning then will continue online until the self-isolation period ends.

Please check our school website if you would like to view Leeds City Council's Covid-19 risk assessment for our school.

### **Lateral flow tests for parents**

It is a fact that 1 in 3 people who have coronavirus have no symptoms. It should reassure you that our staff take a lateral flow test twice weekly, at home, to identify those with the virus. This is an additional control measure in reducing the spread at Beeston Primary school.

Families of primary school children are being offered lateral flow tests too. The Government are keen for

families to participate so that more positive cases within households are found and stopped from entering schools, helping to keep places of education safe.

Please follow the link below to find out further information and to obtain your home testing COVID kits.

<https://www.familycorner.co.uk/rapid-lateral-flow-tests-households-primary-school-children-what-parents-need-know>

### **End of the school day**

Thank you for bearing with us as we continue to 'tweak' our end of school procedures. It is imperative that we have a safe system whereby we avoid large crowds – as you would expect this is very difficult to manage in a school as large as Beeston.

I've really enjoyed catching up with so many of you this week, on the playground. There is clearly a sense of relief from you all that schools are fully open.

I have spent a lot of time with the children this week and I am so pleased at how well the vast majority of them have started to settle back into daily school life. The children unanimously agreed that it's great to be back as a school community and that remote learning is not as much fun as being in the classroom. I totally agree!

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Stay safe and best wishes,

Mr Edensor  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates

As you are aware, there is currently limited community events happening in schools nationally, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Daily after school classes**

Catch up classes and individual tutoring for targeted children in Key Stages 1 and 2 will resume after the Easter holidays, once we have assessed the gaps in pupils' learning due to the lockdown.

### **Training days**

We still have three training days left this school year. This is when staff receive essential training such as 1<sup>st</sup> aid refreshers and any safeguarding/teaching and learning updates.

To allow this to happen school will be closed to pupils on the following dates.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### **Keep in touch**

Please don't forget to check out our school's Facebook page at Beeston Primary School Leeds and our school website for regular updates about COVID-19 and daily school life.