



# CHERRY ORCHARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents and carers

Please see our latest updates.

## **Parent Feedback**

Thank you to those of you who've already shared your thoughts via our [Parent Feedback Form](#). We appreciate you taking the time to do this and we were pleased to read the positive comments about our remote learning provision. We have also reflected on some of the difficulties shared and have made a slight change to the live lesson daily timetable as you will see below. We hope this will give parents a slightly longer break in the middle of the day. The teachers will also aim to set work for the children that can be completed within the time frame of each 1-hour lesson.

If you still wish to leave any feedback, you can use the link above.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Cherry Orchard who are working hard and continuing to find ways to improve and develop our remote learning provision - your hard work, perseverance and creativity is really appreciated.

And of course a massive thank you to all the parents and carers of Cherry Orchard children for the hard work you are putting in at home to support your children's learning and help them be successful. We realise that this can be difficult at times and really appreciate your continued support. Remember school is always here to help you with any worries or concerns.

## **Live lesson timetable**

Please see the table below and note the changes to the timings of the morning sessions for next week:

Infants	9.00 – 10.00		11.00 – 12.00		1.30 – 2.30	
Juniors		10.00 – 11.00		12.00 – 1.00		2.30 – 3.30

Remember that on Wednesdays, for one of the sessions your child will receive a short pre-recorded instruction video from their teacher for that session as well as work to complete independently. These will be shared in your child's Google Classroom feed.

**Infants recorded session: Wednesday 1.30 – 2.30**

**Juniors recorded session: Wednesday 10.00 – 11.00**

## Remote education updates to our website

Please see our Remote Education Information for Parents and our updated Remote Education Policy our website [here](#). Thank you.

## Message to Cherry Orchard children

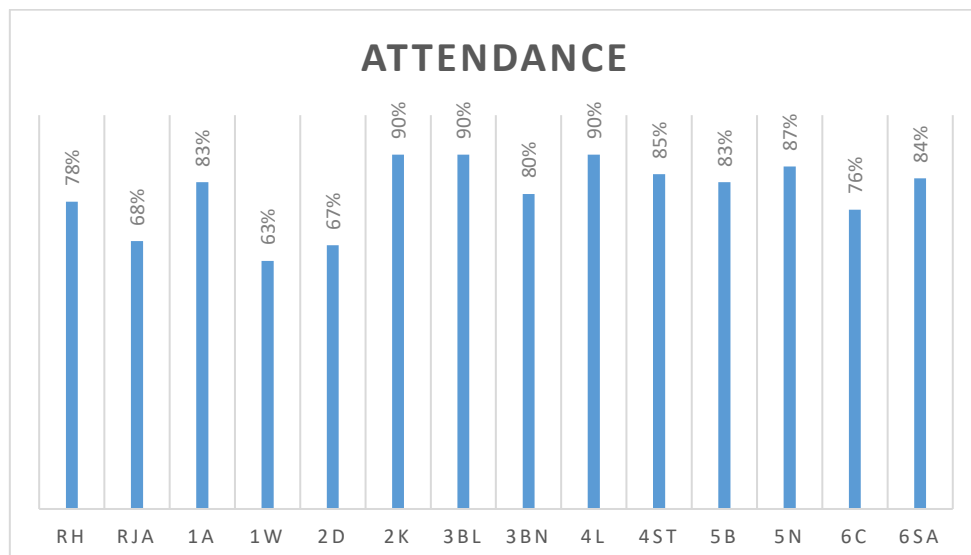
Well done to everyone at home and in school who is managing to keep up with their online learning and post their work to their teachers every day. We are really proud of you all and your excellent attitudes to your learning. We can see all the fabulous work that is going on in your classes and are so impressed with the quality of some of the work that is being submitted to your class teachers.

Please make sure that all of you are giving your very best efforts in each piece of work just like you would in school. Remember it is expected that all children complete the tasks set by their teacher to the best of their ability before sending it in. If you didn't quite managed to do that last week, make it your goal for this week.

**Finally, you will be pleased to hear that from now on, every child who attends 12 or more live lessons in a week will get a raffle ticket. If your ticket is picked on a Friday afternoon, you will get to choose a privilege for the following week. Star of the Week winners will also get a privilege each week.**

## Weekly attendance

The whole school attendance in live lessons dipped a little to 80% last week. The graph below shows the live lesson attendance of each class. The figures show the percentage of children who attended all of the sessions, or only missed one or two sessions throughout the week. **Well done to 2K, 3BL and 4L for the highest attendance!**



## **Parents' Evenings**

Please note that we have postponed our usual February parents' evenings. We are provisionally scheduling them for the last week of the Spring term. More information will follow nearer to the date.

## **BBC Videos in South Asian Languages about the vaccine**

The BBC has Q&A videos in five South Asian languages, about the vaccine. Please share with your parents as appropriate. The BBC will also allow you to embed the videos on to your website should you choose to do so.

[Coronavirus vaccine Q&A in five South Asian languages - BBC News](#)

## **Lateral flow COVID-19 tests for primary school staff**

You may have seen in the press that primary school staff are being asked to test themselves regularly over the coming weeks, with the aim of finding any asymptomatic cases of COVID-19.

We are happy to report that we are due to receive stocks of lateral flow test kits for Cherry Orchard staff during the coming week. Once they arrive, we will be doing our bit to keep our community as safe as we can by testing ourselves twice a week following government guidance.

## **Upcoming dates for your diary**

<b>12<sup>th</sup> Feb:</b>	<b>End of term</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Feb:</b>	Teacher Day – school closed to children
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Feb:</b>	<b>Start of term</b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	Parents' Evening 3.45pm – 6.00pm
<b>25<sup>th</sup> Mar:</b>	Parents' Evening 4.30pm – 7.00pm
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Apr:</b>	<b>End of term</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Apr:</b>	<b>Start of term</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May:</b>	<b>End of term</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Jun:</b>	<b>Start of term</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Jul:</b>	Teacher Day – school closed to children
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Jul:</b>	<b>End of term</b>

## **Additional Information**

You will find lots of additional information on our school website. Please go to [www.cherryorchard.bham.sch.uk](http://www.cherryorchard.bham.sch.uk). If you cannot find the answer to your question, please ask a member of staff. The office number is 0121 5540862.