



Coombe Road Chat

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End of Spring Term 01/04/2021

HAPPY EASTER HOLIDAYS:

On behalf of all of us here at Coombe Road, I would like to wish you all a lovely break. For those who celebrate, we wish you a Happy Easter.

Again, I also want to thank you all for your support and positivity. It has been a very difficult time for us all as a school community and we have a great deal to be thankful for – our keyworkers, our superhero children and teachers, all the staff who make up our Coombe Road family, and all of you who keep us going with your kind messages and support. We still have a long way to go but we will get through this pandemic eventually if we continue to work together.



Children return to school on Monday, 19th April.

POSITIVE COVID CASES:

If your child has been in school this week and tests positive for Covid19 over the Easter holiday (up to 07/04/2021, please let us know by emailing covid@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk. I will check this every day at 3pm and alert those who have been in contact with the positive case to help stop the spread of Covid19.

Please continue to follow guidance to keep yourselves and others safe:

- Only socialise indoors with people you live with or who are in your support bubble
- Up to 6 people or 2 households can meet outside
- Work from home if you can and only travel when necessary
- If you have symptoms get a test and stay at home

The latest guidance can be found at https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus







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LFD TESTING:

LFD testing is available to adults living in a household with school-aged children. The tests are for adults only and should not be used on children. You can obtain LFD tests for your household by visiting - https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-19-testing or through the Government website - https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

If a child develops symptoms of Coivd19, you must seek a PCR test which you can book online https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

POLLING DAY:

Our school will be used as a Polling Station on Thursday, 6th May 2021. I have no power to prevent this and the Returning Officer has the final decision.

As they will be using the lower part of the school, we will be able to remain open for our middle and upper bubbles. For safety reasons, particularly during the pandemic, we will need to close our lower bubble, as well as Breakfast and Buddies Club on this day. I apologise for the inconvenience this will cause to our families and want you to know that I continue to ask for alternative buildings to be used.

If you wish to complain about the school being used as a Polling Station, please write to electors@brighton-hove.gov.uk

As parents and carers, you may also wish to start a petition which might support in the prevention of our school being used in future.

LOWER BUBBLE, BREAKFAST CLUB & BUDDIES CLUB CLOSED ON THURSDAY, 6TH MAY

<u>BEST BREAKFAST CLUB:</u>

We were so delighted to receive the award for 'Best Breakfast Club in the South East' through Kellogg's. Our children who attend these clubs enjoyed opening their gifts to celebrate.

Many thanks to Mandy and Chris who work so hard to ensure our children in these clubs enjoy their time together.







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WELLBEING:

Our children have coped incredibly well considering everything that has happened in this past year. Please continue to support their learning at home (reading is invaluable!) and support them with routines. I have added an excellent resource to our website called 'Rolling with Routines' which has some guidance for ways to support your child – go to the 'Safety Rocks' section and download: https://www.coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk/about-us/child-protection-safeguarding/safety-rocks-newsletters





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GOLDEN PUPILS:

Our Golden Pupils, Top Scorers and winning Houses are announced each week in a pre-recorded Golden Assembly (as we cannot all gather for assemblies at present).

Well done to all these children who have working so hard to earn House Points and follow our Golden Values – Commitment, Opportunity, Respect & Excellence.

	GOLDEN PUPILS	
***	26/03 Isabella T, Liliana I, Ella, Buddy, Juliana, Charlie H, Finlay B, Billy, Rafeef	***
***	01/04 Miral, Panka, Oliver, Phoenix, Preston, Lenny Felipe, Salma, Janka	***

WE ARE RESILIENT:

Sky Class have been working together to build the tallest tower. Our children have shown incredible strength in recognising that we don't always get things right – but we keep going.







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VIRTUAL PE LESSON:

As you may have seen on BBC South East News on Monday, a team of local rhythmic gymnasts recently represented Great Britain alongside some of the world's strongest teams. One of the six girls in the team is our Mrs Austin's daughter, Emily, and she is Captain.

Emily is part of the junior group who are the current British Champions, English Champions and National Elite League Champions. Last Sunday was their first competition representing Great Britain as a senior team and they achieved personal bests in both of their routines. Following this success, the girls have been invited to compete in the World Cup in Italy in May! They are also working towards the European Championships in Bulgaria in June and the World Championships in Japan later in the year.

We had hoped Emily and her team would be able to come into school to meet the children and answer their questions but obviously, due to Covid, this will not be possible. Instead, after Easter, the girls will be providing a virtual P.E. lesson for all our children to access during school time. The lesson will provide opportunities for the children to challenge themselves with balances, jumps, coordination, flexibility and stamina.

We will give you further information nearer the time but if you would like to read more and show your support for the girls before then, you can follow them on Instagram @istargbgroup and www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/istar-gb-group

Until then, please encourage your children to get active, continue practising their throwing and catching and join us in wishing Emily and her team all the very best!







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Coombe Road Primary School Term Dates 2021-2022



AUTUMN TERM		
First Day of Autumn Term	Monday, 6 th September (INSET Thurs 2 nd and Fri 3 rd September)	
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 1 st November)	Monday, 25 th October – Friday, 29 th October	
Last Day of Autumn Term	Friday, 17 th December	
Christmas Holiday (children return to school on Tuesday, 4 th January)	Monday, 20 th December – Monday 3 rd January	

SPRING TERM	
First Day of Spring Term	Tuesday, 4 th January
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 21 st February)	Monday, 14 th February – Friday, 18 th February
Last Day of Spring Term	Friday, 8 th April
Easter Holiday (Children return to school on Monday, 25 th April)	Monday, 11 th April – Friday, 22 nd April

SUMMER TERM		
First Day of Summer Term	Monday 25 th April	
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday, 2 nd May	
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 7 th June)	Monday, 30 th May – Friday, 3 rd June	
Last Day of Summer Term	Wednesday, 20 th July (INSET Thurs 21 st and Fri 22 nd July)	

A DATE FOR THE 5TH INSET DAY IS STILL TO BE ARRANGED.