

Hannah Ball School

Weekly Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents,

Well, I'm sure not many of us would have not expected the start of term that we have had. We have had a rapidly changing situation and I am pleased to see how well our whole community has coped and pulled together.

The purpose of this week's newsletter is to outline the details of our move towards online learning. Although our multidisciplinary approach has been shared with you already, I thought it pertinent to ensure that we are all clear about how this will look.

· Our school is partially open for **Key worker and vulnerable children**. You have all received communication about how to indicate whether you believe your child needs an allocation. We have shared with you the entire document from the DfE which lists the 'qualifications'. If you feel that you have not told us that you need a Key Worker place, please contact the office via email or telephone.

· Those pupils that qualify for **Free School Meals** have been contacted and weekly hampers have already been provided. Again, if you believe that you need to claim this provision, contact us at school. The government is going to provide vouchers through the same company that issued them over the Christmas break. More details will follow on this when we have received the information from the government.

· All children that are attending school will be provided with a free school lunch.

· All families will have received their first **'weekly phone call'** from your class teachers. These are in place so that we can check that you have everything you need at home, such as a **device to access the internet on, and internet access**.

· The weekly phone calls will help us to also check that you have all of the **log in details** that you need for our online/cloud based curriculum. We have copies of these in school, so please contact us if you need them again at any point.

· **Interpreter** - we are lucky to have members of staff that can interpret into Urdu and Punjabi. Please let us know if you need this service to help with the weekly phone calls.

· Our **move towards virtual learning** includes use of **google classroom**. This is so we can provide an array of **'live' teaching**. All pupils will start these live lessons next week, with the exception of Reception children, The pupils' email school email addresses are being sent out today to your contact email address. The passwords will be sent in a separate communication (most likely by text).

· Your teacher has shared **daily and weekly timetables** with you so that you know what time your children need to be logging on through google classroom for their live lessons. Your teacher has also detailed in this timetable other lessons that your children should be able to undertake independently, for instance art or project work. There will be information videos or slides that your teacher has prepared

· There will also be a series of **live assemblies** - more details will follow on these.

· We are looking into how to **record these live sessions** so that if your child cannot access the lesson at the designated time, they can come back to it later. Please bear with us on this part - it is a steep learning curve for us all!

Important notes

· Your child will be invited to the google classroom teaching session through a 'code' which will be sent to their school email address. There may be some instances when the teacher uses their school email address to send invites. This email address should not be used as communication - please use the normal route – i.e. through the school office email and / or telephone

· Please ensure that your child has a quiet place to work at home with a device that has a working camera and microphone.

· Please make sure that your child is ready for these sessions - with the things that they need for that lesson (i.e. a pen, pencil, note paper)

· Please make sure that your child adheres to the online lesson protocols that will be shared by your teacher

· Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately – i.e. not in their pyjamas!




· Please help your child with the work if you are able to do so.

If you need any help or advice, please don't hesitate to contact us through the school office email (office@hannahball.bucks.sch.uk) or telephone (01494 522 476). We are here to help. If your circumstances change, or if you are struggling or just need some advice, please reach out to us. The office is fully staffed during our partial opening and we will be able to help you.

Thank you for all of the supportive messages that you have shared with us. My staff and I have appreciated them and we look forward to working together to provide the very best education to our pupils over the next half term.

Mr. Hingley

Total Weekly Progressions

	Year 2 2020 - Y2	4.2
	Year 1 - Y1	3.7
	Year 3 2020 - Y3	2.8

	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
Year 1	Eisa	Mustafa	Wera
Year 2	Elif	Hakima	Esterlyn
Year 3	Ibrahim	Kira	Aaron
Year 4	Sarah	Methuli	Madiha
Year 5	Sitki	Oliver	Ezaan
Year 6	Zara Ah	Mia	Hajrah

This week at the top of the leader board for each class are:

Year 2: Elif
 Year 3: Muhammad
 Year 4: Anas
 Year 5: Araiz
 Year 6: Hassan

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Battle Of The Bands

Boys vs Girls

This battle will be running until Friday 15th January. Do your team proud, log on and get going with your times tables!



Battle Of The Bands

Boys vs Girls Scoreboard

1	Year 3 Boys	178
2	Year 3 Girls	84
1	Year 4 Boys	1,135
2	Year 4 Girls	342
1	Year 5 Boys	1,190
2	Year 5 Girls	634
1	Year 6 Boys	446
2	Year 6 Girls	385