

### HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

The school will break up for half term holidays on  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020.  
Children must remain at home on  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.  
All Children will return to school on  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Free School Meal vouchers for the holidays will be delivered by email from Edenred.

A guide will be available on class DOJO story for those of you who are unsure of how to redeem it.

### WELFORD NURSERY ADMISSIONS

If you, or a family member or a friend have a child born between:  
01/09/2016 – 31/08/2017

They are eligible for a Nursery place. Welford offers a part time place of 15 hours per week.

To register for a place, please request a registration form from the school office.  
**Please also let any families and friends know.**

### Reception Class Admissions (September 2021/2022)

Do you have a nursery aged child, born between  
1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017?

Do you need help with applying for a school place for your child?

If you need help with applying for a Reception School place for your child then come and see Mrs Marva in the school office.

**Applications must be completed online by 15 January 2021.**

## IMPORTANT COVID ADVICE

We are politely requesting all parents, carers & visitors to wear a mask when they are anywhere on the school site (indoors or outdoors), to adhere to the social distancing guidelines at all times and avoid gathering in groups. Please ensure that your children are not mixing with children from other year groups apart from their siblings.

If anyone in your home becomes ill with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of taste or smell, you must do the following:

- Self-isolate for at least 10 days
- And arrange to have a test to see they have coronavirus (COVID-19)

### BOOK A TEST ONLINE AT

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

### OR CALL 119.

You must follow the [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#) which is available to view by visiting

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

This guidance is available in Arabic, Bengali, Chinese, French, Gujarati, Polish, Portuguese, Punjabi and Urdu.

If you have any questions, please contact the office.

We would like to thank all of you who have already been keeping to the guidelines and supporting our school to keep everyone safe.



# WELFORD NEWS

11<sup>th</sup> December 2020 - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021



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### From Mrs Foster ...

Dear Parents/Carers,  
First of all please accept my apologies again for having to shut the school due to significant staff absence. It was a really difficult decision to make and I thank you all for your goodwill, understanding and your messages of support. I feel so lucky to be the head teacher of this school...

I had really positive feedback about ClassDojo and how well the system has worked as a two way communication between home and school. It was great to hear children were able to get support if they were having issues with tasks set and I thank the vast majority of you who have signed up. If you still need help with this please contact the school in the first instance and we will be happy to help.

We have had a really lovely end to what has been a very challenging and worrying term for everyone...

The children deserved a festive end to the year and have enjoyed Christmas parties in their year group bubbles. Everyone looked especially smart and gorgeous in their party clothes. It was lovely that Santa and his little present helper were able to pay a special visit to Welford all the way from Lapland. Cheers for Santa were ringing all around Welford ...

The Children's Christmas Lunch was another triumph. The Catering Team, Lunchtime Supervisors and the Office worked so hard to ensure the children had a memorable time and we are really grateful to them for ensuring this special lunch could still take place.

Discos with Ken were beamed into each classroom for a virtual DJ session which was another first for Welford!

As we near the end of the year we congratulate our Autumn 2 Gold Book children and even though we couldn't celebrate their success in the usual way we couldn't be more proud of them and their achievements. I know that the selection was a difficult choice for teachers as all of our children are working so hard in class and being the best they can possibly be.

All staff have also worked very hard to ensure that children have a positive end to the term and I thank each and every one of them from the bottom of my heart for their kindness, care and determination to put children at the heart of everything we do...

Please keep in touch with us over the holidays by checking the home page of the website and reading any messages on ClassDojo school story. If you need to contact us urgently please do so through [enquiry@welford.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@welford.bham.sch.uk) in the first instance and we will message should we need to.

As we look forward to the New Year, I feel privileged that we continue to share our school journey towards even more success TOGETHER. Happy Holidays to EVERYONE from myself, the Governors and Welford Staff. Enjoy some rest and relaxation time. During the Christmas break please stay safe in your family bubbles and enjoy socially distanced fun. Peace, good health, happiness and harmony to you all - here's hoping for a better 2021 for everyone...

*Mrs G. Foster*

