



12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s),

Firstly, please give your children a massive pat on the back for this week! They have worked so hard every day and I've loved visiting classrooms and seeing everyone getting back into their learning so well. It is so impressive after such a long time away from school and everyone should be so proud! I'm sure that you'll also join me in thanking all of the staff for their continued hard work and dedication in adapting their lessons and timetables in order to support the children in coming back.

We all know that the children have missed a lot of learning and of course we will be taking steps in order to support the children to accelerate their progress and catch up. Initially, the most important thing is to have pupils feeling safe, settled and supported. In order to do this, we are providing additional Citizenship lessons following the 'Zones of Regulation' approach. This teaches children to recognise feelings and regulate their emotions using different colours (red, blue, yellow and green). Using these colours not only allows for shared language to be used to support children with their emotions and reactions to different situations, but will also support their mental well-being.

Alongside adaptations to the curriculum and to the timetables, we will also be introducing the online maths program Mathletics to the children next week. More information will follow at the start of next week, but this will allow pupils to practise their maths in a fun and interactive way.

Please, please help to keep everyone safe. Timings for drop off and pick up have been communicated – adults should not be around the school site ahead of these times and should not remain around the school site once they have collected their children. We also need to protect each other by maintaining a flow of movement around the school following the one way system.

With best wishes to all as always,

Mr Vernon, Principal

### **Funding for pre-school children**

BCP has extended the Winter Fund Grant has been extended to cover the Easter holiday. This means that they are able to provide a £30 supermarket food voucher for eligible pre-school aged children. Children are eligible for a voucher if they live in Bournemouth, Christchurch of Poole and meet one or more of the following criteria:

- currently in receipt of three and four year old Early Years Pupil Premium funding
- currently in receipt of two year Early Education Funding
- currently open to Children's Social Care or Early Help and of pre-school age

If you think that you are eligible, please apply following the link below:

<https://bcpcouncil.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8a5b42a486fe4c6b83f98b58&id=bb691fe503&e=c9bf061039>

## Uniform

Having the correct uniform is an essential part of of High Expectations. Brigade is able to deliver uniform should you require it – information attached.

## Red Nose Day

Next Friday, we will support the Red Nose Day appeal by having a day when children can wear non-uniform as long as one part is red! Please donate £1 to this appeal via Parentpay.

## Parking

Please respect our neighbours by not blocking any driveways or access to anyone’s homes. Parking outside of St. Gabriel’s nursery is reserved for families with children attending this provision for pick up and drop off, not for our pupils.

## Junior Bake Off

Any budding bakers could apply for Junior Bake Off who are looking for the best young bakers aged 9-15:

[www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)

## We are nut free!

At Bayside Academy we strive to provide a safe learning environment for all pupils. Due to some of our pupils suffering with life threatening nut allergies, we would like to remind parents that we are a nut free school. An allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nut dust in the air and school.

All parents/carers have a responsibility to make the school aware of any allergies your child/children may have and to provide up to date supporting medical evidence as well as up to date emergency contact details.

## Family Information Service

The Family Information Service helps with a range of matters relating to family life. If you're a parent, grandparent or carer and have a question but don't know where to go, this group is available.

The service is free, confidential and impartial and supports families with children and young people aged 0 to 19 or 0 to 25 for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

The team and the Family Information Directory provides information on local organisations, services, childcare and activities and events relevant to families.

<https://www.fid.bcpccouncil.gov.uk/kb5/poole/fis/welcome.page>

## Attendance

As a school, our attendance this week was excellent and reflects all of the efforts at school and at home to get the children back successfully.

The classes with the highest attendance were 2MA and RRL with full attendance - congratulations!

RAD	RRL	1SW	2LW	2MA	3HC	3NT	4KH	5JW	5TE	6BC	6RM
97%	100%	99%	99%	100%	98%	98%	98%	93%	99%	97%	96%

## High Expectations lead to High Achievers

### Bayside Academy

Sian Thomas, BEd (Hons), CEO - AAT

Alexandra Prout, BA (Hons), Director of Primary Education

Matthew Vernon, BA (Hons) PGCE, Principal

[www.bayside-academy.co.uk](http://www.bayside-academy.co.uk)

E [office@bayside-academy.co.uk](mailto:office@bayside-academy.co.uk)

T 01202 685459

Turlin Road, Poole, Dorset. BH16 5AH



Part of Ambitions Academies Trust

Registered Company No. 07977940

Registered Address: Evering Avenue, Poole, Dorset. BH12 4JG

Registered in England & Wales

VAT Reg No. 142 3672 27