

Hove Junior School Newsletter

Parents & Carers

Friday 25th September 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children continue to amaze us in school and their resilience is evident in everything they are doing and the way they have returned to school with both confidence and enthusiasm! We are really proud of the children and their brilliant attitude to their learning!

We appreciate that there can be frustrations that guidance and information regarding COVID 19 changes frequently but as a school we will endeavour to send out texts and reminders to you to ensure that you are all kept informed. Please check the website for letters and your phones for School Ping messages.

We are aware that some pupils are experiencing symptoms relating to common colds, including feeling hot. Please use our reference information on our school [Covid Page](#) on the website to help you.

Breakfast Club Provision

Thank you to the Breakfast Club and After School Club staff teams for getting this provision back in place to help our families. We will be extending our breakfast club provision to all year group's week beginning 4th October if families would like to take up these places.

School Streets - Portland Road

Last week saw the successful launch to this initiative of closing School Road to help increase pupils' safety, in the first instance. Attached is a photo of Phil one of our volunteers (he's on the right of the photo) who used to attend our school and retired from his traffic management post with the council last week!

At this stage, we have only enough volunteers to cover the morning sessions until half term. Currently these are local volunteers and we really need parental volunteers, if we are going to make this sustainable long-term. If you are interested in volunteering please see the details below and contact Lucy Dance. Training will be provided.

For more details about the School Streets project in Brighton: <https://new.brighton-hove.gov.uk/school-streets-brighton-and-hove>

Thanks for all your help and support.



Appropriate use of social networking sites by parents/carers

The school recognises that many parents and other family members will have personal social networking accounts, which they might use to discuss/share views about school issues with friends and acquaintances and/or class WhatsApp groups.

However, it is not the way to raise concerns as the school will not respond to issues raised on a social networking site. If there are concerns being raised, social media or internet sites should not be used to name and/or identify individual pupils through their actions. Parent/Carers should also not be asked about pupil absences on class WhatsApp groups. Thank you for your continued co-operation and support.

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

Secondary school place application deadline to start in Year 7 September 2021 is **31st October 2020**. Applications are to be made online <https://new.brighton-hove.gov.uk/children-and-learning/apply-school/apply-school-place>

An application guide can be found on the Brighton & Hove website <https://new.brighton-hove.gov.uk/children-and-learning/school-application-guides>

Please check on the Secondary School's website for details of Open Evenings which will start soon – please note due to Covid many of the Open Evenings/Days are taking place virtually.

PE Kit

As the colder weather approaches please ensure your child's PE kit is warm enough for them to wear all day.

Keeping In Touch

Please continue to keep in contact in with us – should you have any questions or concerns, contact us via the following:

- **Portland Road** portlandroadenquiries@hovejun.brighton-hove.sch.uk 01273 295484
- **Holland Road** hollandroadenquiries@hovejun.brighton-hove.sch.uk 01273 294333

Best Wishes,

Maddie Southern *Lorna Cummings*

Please continue to keep up to date with us through our website
<http://www.hovejuniorschool.co.uk/>



Year 3 Stunning Start!



Year 3 had an exciting day for their stunning start. They dressed up as people from the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age.

They were given trays of sand that had been taken from an archaeological dig and they had to carefully dust away the sand to find the artefacts buried within.



They drew their very own cave paintings and created giant, collage woolly mammoths.

Finally, they carved their own spear heads and arrow heads from soap, using the same techniques that people in ancient times used for flint knapping.





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Would you have kept your child off school before **Covid**?

YES

Keep your child off school

NO

Do they have:

1. A new continuous cough? (see letter attached for definition)
2. A fever (hot to touch on their chest or back you do not need to take their temperature with a thermometer)?
3. A complete loss or change of smell and/or taste?

YES

Keep your child off school and at home

Speak to 119 or go to the www.gov.uk/coronavirus website to arrange a test.

Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the results of this test, even if your child is now well.

Even with a negative result, children cannot attend school if they have a fever.

Your child should access and complete home learning via Seesaw/Google Classroom.

NO

Children who are otherwise well with:

- Runny nose
- Sore throat without fever
- Mild colds

Can attend school AS NORMAL



School Nurse Text Message Advice Service

Advice for parents and carers of children aged 5-16 years in Brighton and Hove

We can help you with all kinds of issues:

Physical health

Emotional wellbeing

Healthy lifestyle

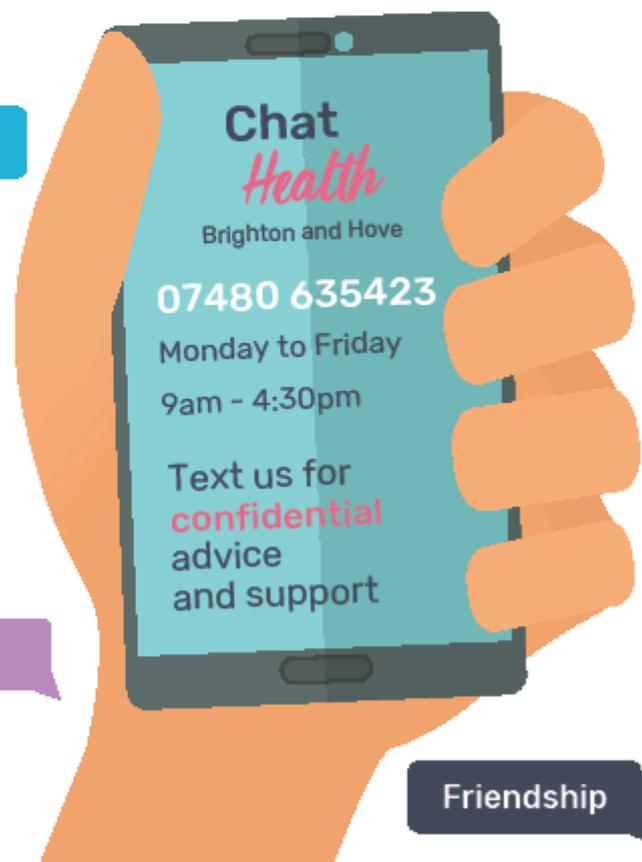
Parenting

Behaviour

Continence

School concerns

Sleep routines



Friendship

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For non-emergency medical advice, please contact your GP or 111.
In the case of an emergency please call 999.

We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only, which will be charged at your normal rate.