



Year 3/4

We want to say a massive well done and thank you to Mr Hindmarsh, Mrs Bowman, Miss Cottrell and Mrs Taylor. We also want to thank all the parents for their continued support during this time. It was wonderful to see the children return to school today.

Teams / Class Dojo

Last week, we sent all parents their log in details for Teams and Class Dojo. If parents have not received this, please e-mail the school.

Wrap around care—Breakfast Club and After School Club

The breakfast club and after school club continues to be run by school. The morning session starts at 8am and the after school session runs until 4pm. If parents can make sure that they book on, via Parent Pay, for the next day no later than 3.30pm the night before. This allows us to let staff know they have children arriving in their bubble at 8pm. The staff from the bubble will collect the children on a morning at 8am unless parents let school know otherwise. If you wish to drop them off later please e-mail the school.

Communication

Parents who have any questions or concerns can e-mail the school on bishopmiddleham@durhamlearning.net and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Please don't send messages via Class Dojo or Facebook as we can miss them.

Online Form

Thank you for all the parents who have completed the online form. If you have not completed the form please could you complete the form this week. If parents could complete the form by clicking [here](#).

Staggered Start and Finish Times

The below times are the staggered start and finish times for the school day.

Year Group	Drop off time	Pick up time
Nursery and Reception	9.00am	3.00pm
Year 1	9.00am	3.00pm
Year 2	8.55am	3.05pm
Year 3/4	8.50am	3.10pm
Year 5/6	8.45am	3.15pm

Over the last few days, we have noticed that parents are starting to come earlier and stand at the front of the queue, in the entrance to the drive or in the line waiting for siblings. From Monday, we will have cones with tape on them which will show the one way system. We will send the children out in order of the parents. Once a parent has their child they must leave the front of the queue, cross over the drive (in front of the gates) and leave the queue.

When dropping off and picking up, adults need to drop off at the earliest time and picking up at the latest time for the oldest sibling.

This avoids parents waiting in the cold and congregating outside of the school which causes congestion at the gates. This supports us with the smooth running of transition periods.

Year 5/6 Children

The school gates won't be open before 8.45am on a morning. This week the children have started to arrive at school earlier than this time which means they are congregating at the gates. If parents could ensure the children arrive for 8.45am and no earlier. Also, if we can remind the children that they must maintain social distancing while waiting.

We have also had reports, from neighbours, of the children standing on the walls and running across the road. If parents can speak to the children to ensure they are staying safe while walking to school.

Money

We want to thank Mrs Flowers for setting up a Just Giving Page for the school. We would also like to thank Mrs Frost for raising funds for the school and adding this contribution to the Just Giving page. The generosity and kindness has been incredibly welcome at a very difficult time. We will let everyone know how much was raised once we know. The children will be the decision makers on how the money is spent.

Music—Parents of year 3/4/5/6 - Music Service

Durham Music Service offers fantastic and exciting music lessons in our school. Pupils that have lessons make great progress and it's wonderful to hear their music making during school, and their excitement in music learning. They currently have availability for lessons within school and are keen to recruit as soon as possible. Please sign up at www.durhammusic.org.uk/sign-up

Dexter

As a school, we want to congratulate Dexter on ringing the bell after his successful cancer treatment. We can't wait to see the video and pictures on Friday!

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Next Friday, we are asking children to bring a donation to school to raise money for MacMillan Cancer. We know that the coffee morning was today but we thought it would be a nice way to celebrate Dexter ending his treatment. If the children bring a donation each bubble will be provided with a cake and a hot chocolate.

Attendance

21st September 2020 — 25th September 2020

R	100%
Y1	99.3%
Y2	97.4%
Y3	93.8%
Y4	93.8%
Y5	100%
Y6	94.2%

Birthdays

Oscar D
Noah J
Layton