# Spring Term Newsletter 1



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## **Headteachers Message**

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As we reach the end of the first half term of 2021, life in school continues to look very different to a normal school year. We have a bubble open in each year group for the children of key workers and vulnerable children, these are all full and well attended. Learning for many children continues at home, we all hope that this is not for much longer however we are all pleased with the engagement in online learning from the children.

We are seeing some really lovely work being completed at home as you all step up to the challenge, thank you for sharing these examples regularly with me and the teachers. The daily live Zoom sessions are being very well attended with an average of over 400 children attending each day. Thank you. I know how excited both the children and staff are about these sessions. We have also begun our weekly assemblies on a Friday through Zoom which is a new experience for us all too.

I am also very aware of the amount of time that children are spending in front of a screen when at home, which is why I set the challenge to do something creative or learn a new skill. I have had some fabulous photographs of cooking and art taking place. Please continue to do this over the half term holiday, find time to get outside, go to the park, or do something that does not involve looking at a screen. I am definitely going to spend next week going for walks, reading books and not staring at a computer screen all day! I might even do some cooking!

Finally, I would like to say thank you to you all for your on-going support at home, and I am sure you will all join me in thanking everyone who works at Bordesley Green Primary School for the continued hard work and efforts during this challenging time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, Ms Burgess or any member of the Leadership team if you have any questions or concerns. Have a good half term holiday.

Mr K.Holmes

#### **Bordesley Green Mobile Library**

One of our School Development priorities is Reading. Every Thursday, during lockdown, you are able to collect a book from our library for your child to read at home. Please come along at the times listed below. If you have a child in more than one-year group you only need to come once. Thank you to Mrs Jenkins, Mrs O'Neill and Mrs Yasin for organising this.

#### **Thursday - Book Collection Slot**

**Year 6** 9:30-10 :00am **Year 5** 10:00-10:30am

**Year 1** 12:30-1:00pm **Reception** 1:00-1:30pm

**Year 2** 1:30-2:00pm **Year 3** 2:00-2:30pm **Year 4** 2:30-3:00pm



Bordesley Green mobile library-why not come along and borrow a book?

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#### Let's Count and Science Week

Next half term, your children will be taking part in Lets Count, a maths project linked to the national census which is due to take place on the 21<sup>st</sup> March and also Science week on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please look out for the activities that you are asked to do at home for both of these exciting projects.

### **Our new Website**

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We are very excited by our new website, please check it out along with our twitter feed @BGPS, if you haven't already done so, please follow us to ensure you keep up to date with everything that is happening at Bordesley Green.

#### **Headteachers Awards**

During lockdown, the teachers have not stopped nominating children for Headteachers Awards. Children who are both in school and at home have been nominated for their hard work, commitment and engagement with online learning. 119 certificates have been awarded so far. All of the children who are nominated by their class teacher will be entered into a prize draw at the end of the lockdown. Well done to everyone who has received one so far, I am looking forward to delivering more after half term. Keep working hard everyone.

Below are some examples of children who have completed my Headteacher Challenge of completing an activity away from a screen.





