

## SCHOOL NEWS - 12th March 2021

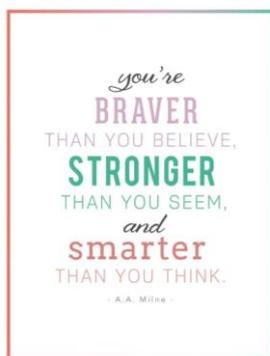
### Our return

It has been wonderful to have all of the children back this week. I am immensely proud of them all for showing such resilience and determination. Their smiles have been infectious and I think it is safe to say that they have bounced back.

We will continue to work on the effects of COVID and prioritise mental health and wellbeing.

We have had a lot of calls regarding times, uniform and what is allowed in school. Please note that this is all on our school website under the COVID tab and has been on the newsletter in previous weeks.

Uniform is essential and can be ordered online at all stores. Returns are easy too!



### Breakfast and After School Club

A great start to our return, we love having the children before and after school. We have had lots of fun creating with playdough, art activities and even a yoga class. The children have loved their snacks and we try to offer a variety, including sandwiches, beans on toast, toasties, pasta and plan to make our own pizzas next week. Please be aware that we will not answer the door before 7.30am due to insurance purposes.



With thanks to our wonderful PTFA, we will be holding our annual Easter Raffle. The children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes next Thursday in return for donations of any unwanted gifts, alcohol, easter eggs, etc. These will all contribute to a hamper for each class. All items should be brought in with the children on Thursday and left in the school hall. Raffle tickets will be sold at £1 each from the gazebo next Wednesday and Thursday after school. There will be a lucky winner of an Easter hamper from each class. All funds raised go back into the school to enhance teaching and learning for the children. Tickets will be drawn before the Easter break.

### School office

During lunch time, there may be occasions when the phones are not manned, We try our best to not let this happen however there are times when this is beyond our control. We are usually supporting lunchtime between 12 and 1.30pm.

### Bag2School - Thursday 18 March

Drop off by 9am, due to Covid restrictions Bag2School can not provide bags, use any bag. Drop off at the entrance to the hall near the main doors and we will store them in the hall. Please do not block the fire doors.

### Families receiving free school meals...

Dorset council have been funded by the DfE to provide six weeks of holiday activities over the Easter, summer and Christmas breaks. These activities will include healthy food and are totally free of charge for FSM families . COVID provides some challenges for Easter but they have been able to pull together a limited face-to-face programme. The majority of children won't be able to access this due to restricted numbers, so we have also worked with partners to pull together a brilliant online programme.

Sign-up online: <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/easter-in-dorset>

Alternatively, families can register by calling 01305 221028

#### **Pot of Gold and Credit Zone winners!!!!!!**

A massive well done and congratulations to:

Isabella in Hawks

Jai, Meredith, Henry, Rufus and Hugh in Kestrels.

Logan, Daniel and Oliver in Owls.

Who have all worked hard to reach their pot of gold or credit zone due to excellent behaviour, attitude to learning and beautiful manners. We are really proud of you.

Keep up the hard work!

#### **Tissues**

Please could your child/ren bring a box of tissues in for class. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

16th March: Chance to Shine Cricket for Hawks and Eagles

18th March: Bags to School Collection

18th March Non-Uniform day in return for a donation towards our Easter hampers

19th March: Comic Relief

18th and 19th March help needed to restore our pool area.

3rd April - 19th April: Easter break

20th April: Return to School

31st May - 4th June: Half Term

7th June: Return to School

18th June: Inset Day (school closed for children)

23rd July - Summer Holidays

TBC: An environmental day in the summer holidays (help to restore our grounds).

#### **Help Wanted!**

We would love to improve the area around our swimming pool and are looking forward to getting it up and running ready for the summer term. If anyone can help to paint/restore the area on Thursday 18th or Friday 19th March we would be extremely grateful.

Have a lovely weekend. Take care and stay safe!  
Mrs Waring and all staff at Hazelbury Bryan Primary School.

