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NSPCC – Kindness Challenge Week: 2nd – 6th October

This week we have been focusing on 'KINDNESS' and have been taking part in some Kindness challenges suggested by the NSPCC. A 'Kindness Challenge' sheet should have been brought home by your child this week – have a look at some of the activities they have chosen to complete!

REMINDER - Breaktime snacks & water

A reminder that children are only allowed to have a portion of fruit or vegetables for their snack at breaktime and there should only be water in water bottles. Thank you.

REMINDER – Collection of children from clubs

All children who attend a club after school **MUST** be collected by an adult when then club finishes. This is to ensure our children are safe when travelling home especially with the darker evenings drawing in.

Attendance

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance and privilege of attendance at school and the vital importance of attendance every day of the academic year.

As you will be aware, there has been a significant drop in school attendance nationally since the COVID-19 pandemic. We need your support to ensure that all children are attending school for at least 95% of the time.

Therefore, it is important that:

- If you are struggling to get your child into school, please speak to us – do not make excuses for them. We have a wide range of staff in school with different skills to support you and your child.
- You do not book medical appointments during the school day unless they are for an emergency. We do understand that this is not always possible and ask that you communicate with the school.
- You do not book holidays in term time. This has a hugely detrimental impact on children's learning and will not be authorised.
- If your child is unhappy, anxious or worried about anything, please let us know straight away. We are here to help and 99% of the time, we can resolve any issues.
- If your child is absent from school, please call 01202 590703 and leave a voicemail. Further guidance is on our school website. <https://www.bearwood.poole.sch.uk/parents-info/information/attendance/>

Our 'Attendance Leaflet for Parents' is attached to our communication email today and also available on the school website.



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COVID-19 / Mild illness Absence

With the colder weather upon us, the potential of Covid 19 is on the rise again. School settings and parents are encouraged to keep children in school wherever possible. Read more about the advice on mild illness on this NHS webpage [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk) for advice.

REMINDER - Flu Immunisations – SIGN UP YOUR CHILD!

Please make sure to sign your child up to receive a flu vaccination which is taking place in school on Wednesday 12th October. A consent information letter was attached to the email sent about this on 20th September as well as guidance for parents. Final day to sign up is **Monday 9th October** (next week!)



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