



**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

London is currently in [tier two](#) local restrictions. Please remember that if **you, your child or anyone in your household** have symptoms of COVID 19 and are awaiting the results of a test, **do not** send your children into school. Children must remain at home until the results of the test have been given.



**What to do if your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus (COVID 19)**

Before making the journey into school, you must stop and ask yourself these questions, do **you, your child or anyone in your household** have a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If you answer YES to any of the above, you must not come to school. You must call 111 for advice.

If you child becomes unwell during the school day they will be sent home and are advised to follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

This sets out that they must:

- self-isolate for at least 10 days
- arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)



Please see the updated guidance for parents and carers from the DfE.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>



## Christmas Jumper Day



We will be hosting our Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020. This year we will be raising money for 'Save the Children' so please bring in £1. There is no need to buy a new jumper. Why not decorate an old jumper? Be as imaginative and creative as you would like!

<https://schools.tecl.co.uk/educationcompany6lz/lz.aspx?p1=M1kDU1NTg3OTEzUzk5NDE6MUM4REZERTJDNkZGODgxQzNFM0FFRDkyNDk2QTY4NjE%3d-&CC=&p=0>

## Christmas parties



Class parties will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020. Class teacher will inform children of what foods and drinks they can bring into school. This will be a non-school uniform day.

## Christmas concert



Our Christmas concert will still go ahead this year! Children have been practising their Christmas songs and we will pre-record the performance of each year group and post it on your child's class Seesaw account on the last day of term (18.12.2020). Thank you for supporting your children to learn the songs off by-heart at home. We have heard and seen some amazing performances during rehearsals this week. Pupils will be able to wear their Christmas jumpers on 17.12.2020, when the performances will be filmed.



**Christmas cards**



Pupils are welcomed to bring in cards for pupils in their own year group. These cards will then be distributed by the class teacher before the Christmas break.

**Food bank- Holiday packages**



The school will be working with a number of parents to create holiday packages for families in need over the Christmas period. The packages will contain household essentials as well as treat for the families.

If you would like to donate please contact the school office, Ms Jacqui or Ms Samantha.

**Incident**

On Tuesday an incident occurred on Outgate Road when a car caught fire. The Fire Brigade were called and quickly attended the scene.

It was established that the children were safe in school and continued their day of learning. End of day arrangements were reviewed for the year 6 pupils that day. In the event that the school must evacuate the site, the evacuation point is Newfield Primary School.

**Appeal**

Thank you to all the families who helped to raise funds for Kiran. The Leopold community has raised £370.46! Due to some families isolating on that day that been able to donate directly through the website below. If you have not yet donated and you would like to, please use the go fund me website listed below.

[Fundraiser by Cristina Ferrer : A Chance for Kiran \(gofundme.com\)](https://www.gofundme.com/cristina-ferrer-a-chance-for-kiran)

**Nursery places**

There are Nursery places available at our school. Please contact the school office or Zena Meigan our Early Years coordinator for more information. You can also see a virtual tour of our Early Years on the school website. <http://www.leopoldprimary.co.uk/early-years-tour/>

**Brent Libraries**

Highlights of the week



**Star of the week:**

- Nursery- Elene
- Reception Galaxy - Georgia and Kai
- Reception Starlight- Faranas and Mohamed
- Year 1 Olive -Nyamekye and Thierry
- Year 1 Holly- Angelique and Niquon,
- Year2 Cherry- Tiffany and Michael
- Year2 Birch- Tamera and Rayyan
- Year3 Pine-Mohammed A and Zainab
- Year 3 Magnolia - Musa and Olivia
- Year4 Sycamore -Wadaana and Mohammad
- Year4 Hazel- Anaya C and Alexander
- Year 5 Eucalyptus- Elsa and Kiyan
- Year 5-Fern- Isha and Alfe
- Year 6 Hawthorne -Aya and Mohammed
- Year 6 Mulberry - Annabelli and Omran

**Michael (2 Cherry) demonstrated excellent progress in his writing. He was given a book to celebrate his achievement. Well done!**



See the Brent libraries newsletter below with the exciting events that will be held over the Christmas break!

### End of term

The last day of term will be Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020. As usual, the last day of the term is half day.

The end of the day will be staggered:

- o **EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Finish 1:00pm**
- o **Year 3 and Year 4 Finish 1:15pm**
- o **Year 5 and Year 6 Finish 1:30pm**

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Octave  
Acting Head of School

## **School Newsletter from Brent Libraries**

### **9 December 2020**

#### **Hello Parents**

Welcome to the December newsletter from Brent Libraries. We have a lovely selection of events for you to join over the next couple of weeks. All events are on Zoom and bookings are through Eventbrite. Please book early as we stop bookings a day or so before the event.

Everyone at Brent Library Service would like to wish you a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

#### **The latest Library Newsletter is here**

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKBRENT/bulletins/2ae50d4>

#### **Events for Children**

##### **Saturday 12 December 2pm – 3pm**

##### **Make a Snowman with Maths on Toast**

For children 4 - 12. Join Maths on Toast to finish the year with this festive game. Make a circle snowman or snowwoman tree decoration and create a wintery scene with numbered snowflakes to make them happy. Our aim will be to save them from melting! This game will be played with dice (we can show you how to make them if you don't have any!) Join us and find out how to play!

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/brent-culture-service-9230553723>

##### **Tuesday 15 December 2020 11am**

##### **Under 5s with Santa!**

Join us for a special extended 45 minutes of story and rhyme times for under 5s featuring a very special guest... he wears a red suit, has a big white beard and loves story time! That's right Santa Claus is visiting - don't miss him!!!! Lots of fun, laughs and learning for you and your little one, all from the comfort of home.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/brent-culture-service-9230553723>

##### **Tue, 22 December 2020 11:00 – 11:45am**

##### **A Christmas Story-Hunt with John Kirk**



Join storyteller John Kirk for a special festive story hunt. This interactive scavenger hunt storytelling session is guaranteed to be 45 minutes of fun to get you in the mood for Christmas. This session will incorporate a popular pantomime story and is suitable for families with children age 3+.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/brent-culture-service-9230553723>

**Please note that these events are for children and no adults on their own will be admitted.**

**Normal Opening hours are Monday- Friday 10.30am – 2.30pm, Saturday and Sunday 12noon – 4.00pm**

**From 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December 2020** All libraries will be closed

**29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020** The Library at Willesden Green and Wembley library will be open. **Other libraries will be closed.** Opening hours are 10.30am to 2.30pm.

**1<sup>st</sup> January 2021**

All libraries closed on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 (bank holiday).

**From 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021**

All libraries will reopen Monday to Friday 10.30am – 2.30pm and Saturday and Sunday 12.00 – 4.00pm

For further information go to [www.brent.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.brent.gov.uk/libraries)

To join a library go to [www.brent.gov.uk/joinalibrary](http://www.brent.gov.uk/joinalibrary)

Our E-Library service is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.



**Attendance 30/11/20-04/12/20**

Congratulations to Year 2 Birch (99%) and Year 4 Sycamore who achieved 100% attendance last week. Well done!



**Dates**

- **Own Clothes Day £1: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**
- **Christmas Jumper Day: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December**
- **Last Day of term: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec**
  - EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Finish 1:00pm
  - Year 3 and Year 4 Finish 1:15pm
  - Year 5 and Year 6 Finish 1:30pm
- **Christmas Holiday: Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec**
- **Staff Inset(closed): Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021**
- **Spring Term: Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021**