



## Tonwell St Mary's CE (VC) Primary School

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*'Knowing each child, growing each child, in God's love'*

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear all,

It has been a very strange term but I am pleased that we have been able to have all children back in school over the past three weeks without any disruption. I hope that you will all be able to enjoy the Easter holidays and that the children might be able to see some of their friends and family outside as restrictions begin to ease.

A reminder that today is the end of term and children will finish at 1.15pm. There is an INSET day on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April so the first day back for children will be on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April**.

### Reading

The ability to read is often described as 'a gateway to other subjects'. We encourage you to continue to read as regularly as you can with your child over the Easter holidays. This could be you reading aloud to your child or listening to them reading to you.

### Wraparound

Our wraparound breakfast and after school clubs will be able to run as usual without additional restrictions from the start of next term. Mrs Moorehead will send out the booking form and we encourage you to book places in advance. However, we are able to take one-off bookings at [wraparound@tonwell.herts.sch.uk](mailto:wraparound@tonwell.herts.sch.uk).

### Supporting children's wellbeing

We are continuing to promote the 5 ways to wellbeing with children in school and encouraging them to look after their wellbeing. Whilst it is positive news that restrictions are beginning to be lifted, our children are still experiencing change and some uncertainty. Most of them are able to cope very well but there may be some children feeling worried. Please see the information to support children with anxiety attached to the newsletter.



### Healthy Hub East Herts

For all your health, social and wellbeing needs look no further than the Healthy Hub East Herts web pages – there are loads of activities and sources of great information including video films about the hub and the work of its partners too. You can sign up for help with a health, social or wellbeing issue <https://www.eastherts.gov.uk/community-wellbeing/healthy-hub-east-herts/healthy-hub-enquiry-form> or find something for you via the programme of activities for March and April. <https://www.eastherts.gov.uk/community-wellbeing/healthy-hub-east-herts/healthy-hub-programme-activities>



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**Hertfordshire County Council has asked us to share this important update with you ahead of the Easter holidays:**

As we go into the Easter holidays, and some Government guidance changes around socialising outside and outdoor sport, it's so important that we don't let our guard down and increase the risk of Covid-19 outbreaks when schools return.

From Monday 29 March, you can;

- Meet up outside (including in private gardens) with six other people, or as two households
- Take part in formally organised outdoor sports with any number of people (outdoor sports venues and facilities will be able to reopen)
- Childcare and supervised activities will be allowed outdoors for all children

You and your family can continue to keep yourselves and others safe by:

- Washing your hands regularly, for at least 20 seconds with soap and warm water or using an antibacterial hand sanitiser if soap and water isn't available
- Keeping socially distanced, staying at least 2 metres away from those not in your immediate household
- Wearing a face-covering where required and when it is difficult to socially distance
- Self-isolating and getting tested if you develop symptoms or receive a positive lateral flow test (LFT) result
- Not socialising indoors with anyone who isn't in your immediate household. You're not allowed to have sleepovers or playdates, even if your child is in a school bubble
- Not sending children back to school ill or with symptoms of Covid-19 after the Easter break – if your child is sick, please keep them at home

Babies and children in early years settings, nurseries, infant and primary schools should not be taking LFT, please don't do home tests on younger children. If you are worried about small children or they develop symptoms, please seek advice from your GP or call 111.

Thank you again for playing your part and helping to keep our schools safe and open for face to face learning. We wish you all a safe and happy Easter.

Hertfordshire County Council

### **Reporting cases over Easter**

It is important that you contact us as soon as possible if you or your child develops COVID symptoms or has a positive test. In school hours, please phone the school office. Out of school hours OR DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS, please email both [head@tonwell.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@tonwell.herts.sch.uk) and [admin@tonwell.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@tonwell.herts.sch.uk) so that we can coordinate any necessary measures and communication.

Kind regards,

*Mrs Bridgman*



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### Key Dates:

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 1.15pm End of Term

### EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET DAY
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to school
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	England does the Daily Mile
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	7.15pm Parent Forum
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	2pm SEND Coffee Afternoon
WB 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Feeling Good Week (Forest School specialists running sessions)
WB 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Scholastic Book Fair
WB 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Y4-6 intensive swimming lessons (TBC)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Parent Forum
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	SEND Coffee Afternoon
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Secondary Transfer
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	French Day in School (Bastille Day)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day for children in school
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> /Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Bikeability
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	1.15pm End of Term