

Welcome to the Monthly Bulletin

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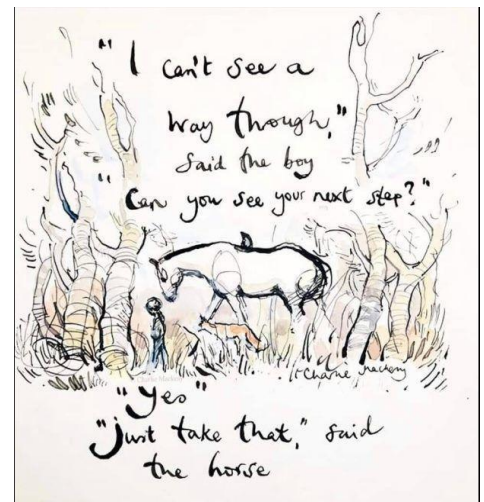
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How are you all?

We are really missing our families who are engaged with remote learning.

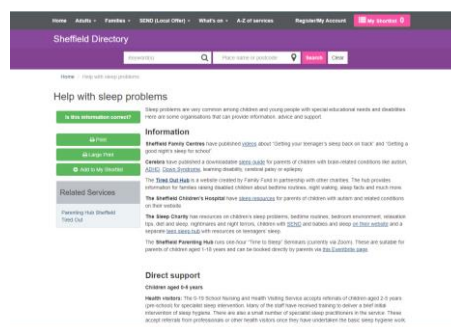
You are doing a fabulous job!

The work that the children are submitting on Google classroom or Tapestry is fantastic – well done to the children and well done to all our wonderful parents.



Sleep support

The Sheffield Parent Carer Forum have been working with colleagues in the LA and NHS to pull together some information about support with children's sleep problems – to access this please click on the following link: <http://www.sheffielddirectory.org.uk/kb5/sheffield/directory/advice.page?id=5uj4c05oMyY>



Clinical psychologist, Dr Karen Treisman has prepared a short video introducing you to some rhythmic relaxation ideas including a butterfly hug by

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e6z6TJ1wQDM>

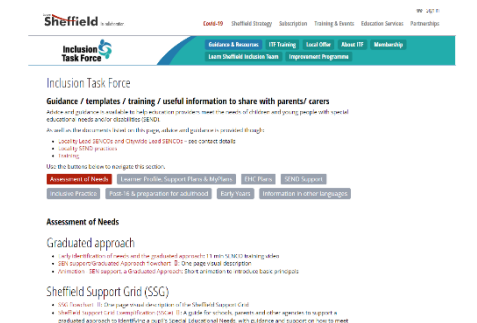


She has a range of videos you may find useful.

Information about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

There is lots of information about SEND on the Learn Sheffield website. You can find details of the processes in place in Sheffield, contact details, how needs are assessed etc. The information has been translated into different languages too.

Here's the link <https://www.learnsheffield.co.uk/Partners/Inclusion-Task-Force/>



Pupil Reports and Parent Consultations

This year we will not write a mid-year report but provide families with an end of year report in July.

We will arrange parent consultation phone calls, as we did in the Autumn, in March. A separate letter will follow with details of this.

Contact Details

Many of the contact phone numbers we have for parents are incorrect. This has come to light as teachers tried to ring for parents' evening consultations in the Autumn term. If your number has changed, please get in touch with the school office so we can update our records.

Many thanks.

School Places, Remote learning.

At present we have a high percentage of children, up to 50%, attending school in comparison to other schools in the Trust and the city.

As a result of this, all staff are working their usual hours delivering face to face learning in school. Inevitably this does mean that we are unable to respond to families as often or as quickly as we may wish. However, I do want to praise staff for the quality of remote learning provided and for the level of support being offered to families.

We are looking at what we can offer to support remote learning in addition to present, for example extra Google Meets and some more personalised support.

May I remind parents and carers, that even if you are eligible for a school place, given the high proportion of children in school, this is not an entitlement.

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Monday 18th January 2021

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s)

Thank you for all that you are doing during this lockdown period to keep you, your children and families as safe as possible. As you are all aware, we have entered a third lockdown and the single most important action we can all take is to stay at home. Government policy has significantly shifted and schools have been asked to remain open only for critical workers and vulnerable children. All of our schools are working extremely hard to deliver teaching and learning both to pupils at home and those attending on site and to keep children and adults who are on site as safe as possible.

It is important that we keep the number of people in schools as low as possible. Having fewer people in schools is about reducing the overall number of contacts everyone has in the community, which is important to help reduce the pressure on the NHS. Hospital admissions are rising in Sheffield so it remains vital that we do all we can to keep numbers in school as low as possible.

During this lockdown, children should stay at home where possible. The government guidance during lockdown says that the children parents and carers who are **critical workers** may be eligible for a school place but this doesn't mean that all places should be taken up and it doesn't mean that there is an entitlement – the guidance says that critical worker parents and carers should keep their children at home if they can. **Please only use the offer of a school place when it is crucial for you to undertake your critical role.** If you can make an alternative arrangement, we ask you to consider this. Your child's school will speak to parents and carers to identify who needs to go to school and also may ask for evidence that your work is critical to the COVID-19 response.


We know that things are difficult at the moment and recognise the challenges you are facing supporting your child's learning and education at home. Thank you for all that you are doing.

Thank you for helping us keep numbers low in school and for following the lockdown restrictions. This will help reduce transmission of COVID-19 and allow us all to get back to enjoying more activities and time with our friends and families soon.

Yours sincerely



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Cabinet Member for Education and Skills



John MacIwraith
Executive Director
People Services Portfolio

**Letter from Sheffield
City Council.**



School Terms and Holidays

Academic Year 2020/2021

Term Dates (All dates inclusive)

*Please make a note of the school calendar to avoid requesting term time leave.
Please share with other family members who may be involved in arranging holidays.*

Autumn	Monday 1 September 2020	Friday 18 December 2020
Spring	Monday 4 January 2021	Thursday 1 April 2021
Summer	Monday 19 April 2021	Wednesday 21 July 2021

Holiday Periods

School re-opens	Thursday 3 September 2020	
Half Term	Monday 26 October 2020	Friday 30 October 2020
Christmas	Monday 21 December 2020	Friday 1 January 2021
Spring Half Term	Monday 15 February 2021	Friday 19 February 2021
Easter	Friday 2 April 2021	Friday 16 April 2021
May Day	Monday 3 rd May 2021	
Spring Bank	Monday 31 May 2021	Friday 4 June 2021
Summer	School closes at the end of the day on Tuesday 20 July 2021	
SATs Weeks	First three weeks May 2021	

Staff Training Days

Autumn	Tuesday 1 st September 2020 Wednesday 2 nd September 2020 Friday 23 rd October 2020	
Spring		
Summer	Friday 28 th May 2021 Wednesday 21 st July 2021	

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