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TEAMS – Thank you to all children, parents/carers and staff for adapting to our new methods of teaching this week. Following last week’s announcement of a lockdown, we worked quickly together to ensure children had access to learning, and that those who required keyworker provision could get it.

This week we have been able to improve our provision by not only once again ensuring all keyworker children have a place and that all children at home have access to learning, but this time that all children are learning the same thing, at the same time. By placing children into dual year group bubbles (Reception, Y1 and Y2, Y3 and Y4, Y5 and Y6) one teacher is able to teach using Teams, whilst the other teacher can relay the lessons to the keyworkers in school.

Thank you once again for your messages of support and praise, they are very much appreciated. We have also listened to children, parents/ carers and staff and will be making further changes as time goes on. Next week we have tried to coordinate break times so they are all at the same time, enabling children at home to have their breaks together (and parent/carers!)



FOREST SCHOOL - Our new Forest School area is nearing completion! Once finished, we hope to have an area where children can learn about sustainable life styles, gardening and woodland creatures (to name just a few learning areas), coupled with a wonderful, fairy-light lit story telling area. Here’s a sneak preview of our bespoke ‘story teller’s chair’, soon to be installed!



N YEAR ADMISSIONS – We have a small number of spaces available in different year groups. If you know of someone who would like a place at our school, please ask them to contact the office. Thank you.

RECEPTION 2021/2022 – The deadline for Reception applications for 2021/22 is tomorrow. Please apply online through your local council’s website.

Banes - <https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-primary-school-place-reception>

Bristol - <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/primary-apply>

HOME LEARNING – Some children in Year 5 have been investigating up thrust and how to use a microscope at home in addition to their science project. Great work!

