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Issue No 04 Friday 12th November 2021

### Message from our Executive Principal

### Dear Parent/Guardian

Welcome back after the half term break. It has already been a busy half term, with a brilliant Bonfire Party in Moggies organised by Mrs Robbins and assisted by the wonderful Moggies staff. It was lovely to see so many children staying to make chocolate apples and eat yummy things around the fire, followed by sparklers at the end of the event. Look out for further Moggies and FOMPS events as we lead up to Christmas.

I am so proud of all the children and especially how they have responded to **Remembrance Day** preparations.

During the service on **Thursday** 11<sup>th</sup> November, to honour the service personnel across all of the different armed forces, they were all amazing with their singing and readings, as well as remaining silent for two minutes at 11.00am.



### **Parents' Evening**

Reminder that our Parents' Evening is scheduled for Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 4.00pm to 7.30pm. If you wish to come and see your child's class teacher, please ensure that you have made an **appointment**.



If you have not made an appointment by 4.00pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November then, unfortunately, you will not be able to see the member of staff on that day. I have

also sent a letter home, detailing a number of regulations that we are asking all parents/guardians to follow, to make this face -to-face event as Covid-secure as possible for everybody.

### Change in the Weather

Please can we ask that all children come to school appropriately dressed for the time of year. We do spend a lot of time outside and, therefore, they do need warm outdoor coats, scarfs, hats and gloves.



#### Additional Bank Holiday

I hope you have all read my letter about the additional bank holiday that school staff have been awarded in 2022, due to the Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



The official bank holiday falls during our half term so, in order to minimise disruption, we have decided that Moggerhanger Primary School will be taking this additional day on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July.** This means that our summer term will now end on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Children in Need**

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November, the children will be taking part in activities connected with the BBC's Children in Need and will be able to wear **non uniform** for this day.



We will be having a **coin collection** on the gate before and after school, so we would be extremely grateful for any donations you can give to this very worthy charity.

#### School Uniform

Please can we remind you the children should be wearing school uniform on non-PE days. Our school uniform policy and guidance is available on our school website under 'polices'

Please can we also remind you that on Mondays and Thursdays all the children in Years 1 - 6 should be wearing PE kit. This should be a white T-shirt, or polo shirt, black or navy shorts (in the summer) or black or navy track suit.





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#### **Blunham Road — Heavy Traffic**

The road outside the school is getting a lot busier, with some very **heavy lorries** driving along it. Therefore, in order to keep **everyone as safe as possible**, it is essential that all children know how to cross the road safely and are closely supervised.

Please can we ask for your support in going through road safety with your son/daughter and we will echo this in school as well.

### The Close, Moggerhanger

Unfortunately, a number of residents from The Close, in Moggerhanger, have reported that a number of children are climbing the trees and breaking branches. They are also worried that, at some point, a child is going to get seriously hurt if this continues to happen.



Therefore, can we please ask for your support in ensuring your child/ren **does not climb** or break off the branches of the trees. Thank you.

#### **Christmas Performances**

You will have seen that the rates of Covid-19 positive cases are, unfortunately, still rising in Central Bedfordshire and schools have been instructed by Public Health not to have mass gatherings.

We are, therefore, looking at holding **two** afternoon **performances** for our nativity for **Pre-school** and **Reception** parents/guardians on **7**<sup>th</sup> **and 8**<sup>th</sup> **December**, where we will only be allowing 20 visitors at a time into the school.

Seating will be arranged to allow social distancing and all windows will be open for ventilation. We will send out further details of how you can request tickets in the next week. Performances will start at **2.30pm** and finish by **3.00pm**. This will be dependent on advice and guidance from Public Health, closer to the time. We are planning an **outdoor carol concert** for our children in **Years 1 to 6**, which will be held on the **playground** on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December**.

We will be holding two concerts—the first of which will be at **10.00am** and finish by **10.40am** and the second performance will be at **2.45pm**. At each concert, we will be limiting visitors on site to a maximum of **40**, even though the events will be outside.



Again, further details regarding this event and how to book tickets, will be sent next week. The reason we are doing it this way is so that we will be able to celebrate the Christmas season, but still remaining as Covidsecure as possible. If the weather is an issue, we may either cancel this event, or move it indoors, with some restrictions imposed.

#### Key dates

15 <sup>th</sup> December	
16 <sup>th</sup> December	
17 <sup>th</sup> December	
4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2022	

Pantomime Visit School Christmas Dinner End of Term Start of Spring Term

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a good weekend.

Miss K Hayward Executive Principal

### **General Notices**

We would like to remind you that **earrings** are not part of our uniform policy, and we ask that children do not wear them, for safety reasons. Children are able to wear a watch if they would like.

Forest School is now weekly on a Thursday for Chicks, Robins and Woodpeckers, with Kites and Owls on a Friday. Please provide wellies and waterproofs to go over their uniform.



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### **Chicks and Robins Class**

The Chicks and Robins have created poppies in the shape of an aeroplane and war helmets to commemorate fallen soldiers past and present. We have been learning about what the poppies mean and why it is important to honour and remember those who fought for us.

Look out for our creations at the front of the school!







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### Woodpeckers Class

We have been learning about Remembrance Day and the importance of remembering those who fought in the war.

As part of our whole school display, Woodpeckers made some suitcases to hang out on the school gates. We have also decorated our own poppies to add to the lettering. We learnt about how Scotland has a different poppy style to the rest of the UK, as well as the different colours.

These symbolise the loss of the animals, African, Black and Caribbean communities' contribution and those who died in conflict, trying to end the war.





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### **Owls Class**

We have started our learning about the Vikings in our history lessons. The children were very excited to start this topic—here they are, displaying a timeline of important Viking events, which started in the wrong order! The children had to re-organise themselves and put the timeline in the correct order.

Our PSHE unit is based on Diversity and Respect, and we have started learning about neurodiversity and how our brains can work differently from other people's. The children were very curious about ADHD and autism, as we started discussing these this week, as part of our diversity learning. We will continue looking at these aspects in more detail next week and then we will be moving on to dyslexia and dyspraxia. These are tricky concepts to understand, but all of the children showed respect and maturity when discussing them and an enthusiasm for learning more!





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### Kites Class

Last week in Kites class, we studied ancient Mayan writing. We looked at the glyphs the Maya used in their writing and use the individual syllable glyphs to write our own names, carving them into clay similar to the Mayan stone stellae that were discovered around Mayan cities.





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#### **Remembrance Day**

Well done to **Tilly** and **Erin** for making their wonderful Poppies. They have raised over £90 for the Royal British Legion.

We hope you enjoy the wonderful displays made by the children at the font of the school.

Thank you to those parents/guardians who joined us for our service and wo-minute silence at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month. It was a very moving service, where the children sang '*You Raise Me Up*' and listened to an excerpt from the school log from Armistice Day on 11<sup>th</sup> November 1918, as well as a poem from Kites Class.







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Friends of Moggerhanger Primary School (FOMPS) will be holding a village Christmas trail from 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 and we would like to invite you to take part with us.

We would love you to **decorate your house** in any way you like for the children to find. We will supply you with a poster to display for the children to walk past and easily see on the trail.

Please email **FOMPsevents@outlook.com** by **5<sup>th</sup> December 2021** to register your interest in the event with any Christmas decoration/ display to be put up before the end of school on **13<sup>th</sup> December 2021**.

We would like to **thank you** in anticipation for all of your efforts at this time, so that our children can enjoy the village of Moggerhanger.

Please see details on our poster on the next page.

Thank you.





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### Vacancy



# **General Kitchen Assistant**

### 12.5 hours per week, term time only Monday – Friday 11.00am – 1.30pm NJC 1D points 1 to 3 (£9.25 - £9.62 per hour) Required for January 2022

Moggerhanger Primary School are seeking to appoint a General Kitchen Assistant in our small village school. Our meals are prepared at Sandy Secondary School and delivered daily. The successful candidate will be required to serve meals and clear away, maintaining a high standard of kitchen hygiene.

You will be required to hold a Food Hygiene Certificate for which training will be provided.

#### How to apply for the role:

Application is by completed application form. Please visit our website www.moggerhangerprimary.co.uk

#### Closing Date - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 at 9.00am

Safeguarding

Posts working with either children and/or vulnerable adults will be subject to the disclosure of criminal records, the successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check.





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· Play

Eating

Dressing

Self-care ( eg washing)



## Children's Occupational Therapy Service

for children and young people who experience difficulties with everyday activities

You can find information and access the resources listed below on our webpage: www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/Bedfordshire/services/occupational-therapy

- 'You make the difference' video for parents and carers of children aged under 5, to promote use of hands and independence skills.
- Sensory Processing Awareness Training online video, planning wheels and strategies.
- Development Skills Package provides information to support the development of the skills notes below.

This information is also available in easy read or other languages, please see the website or scan the QR code to use our RECITE function.





 Managing at school (e.g. school tasks and helping a child with a physical disability with supportive seating or to get around their classroom)

Further information (including details of your Local Offer pages) can be found at:

www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/Bedfordshire/services/occupational-therapy





CHUSUMOS FOOTBALL CAMP Join us for our fun Christmas Football Camp December 21st - 23rd 2021 Pendleton Sports Centre Stotfold Limited Places Available 10% discount for siblings, NHS, Police and Military Personnel

Held at Pendleton Sports Centre, Stotfold Camp drop off 10am, pick up 3pm Available to players betwen the ages of 4-15 years Delivered by UEFA B and FA Licenced Coaches

### Book Today:

Head over to: www.midbedsfutsal.co.uk Send us an email: midbedsfutsal@gmail.com

www.moggerhangerprimary.co.vk

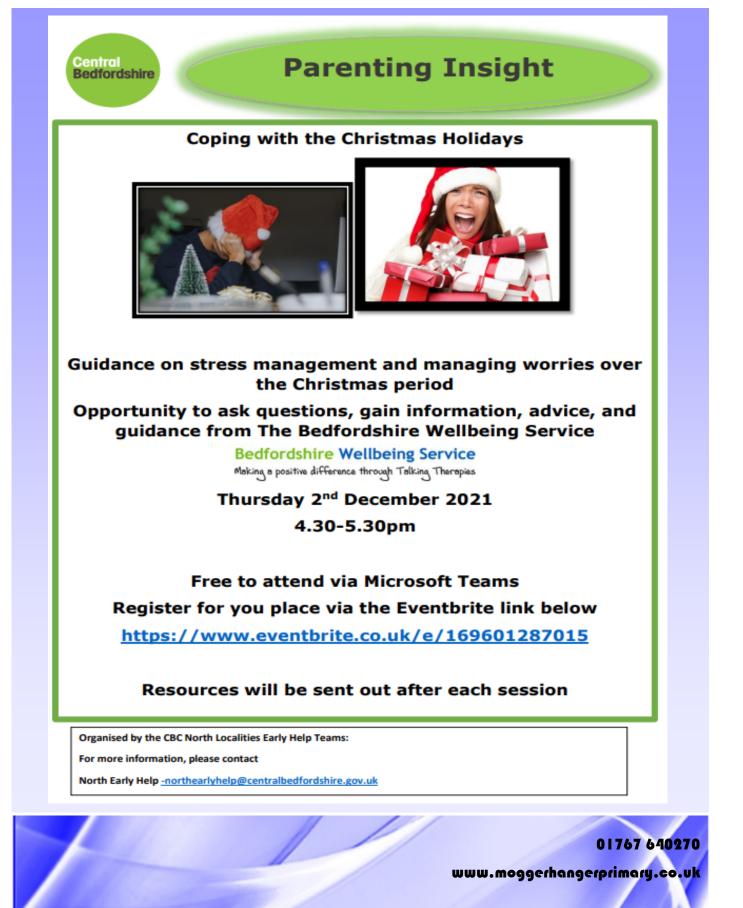
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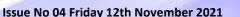
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For more information, please contact

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West Mid Beds Community Partner - Natalie Good Natalie.Good@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

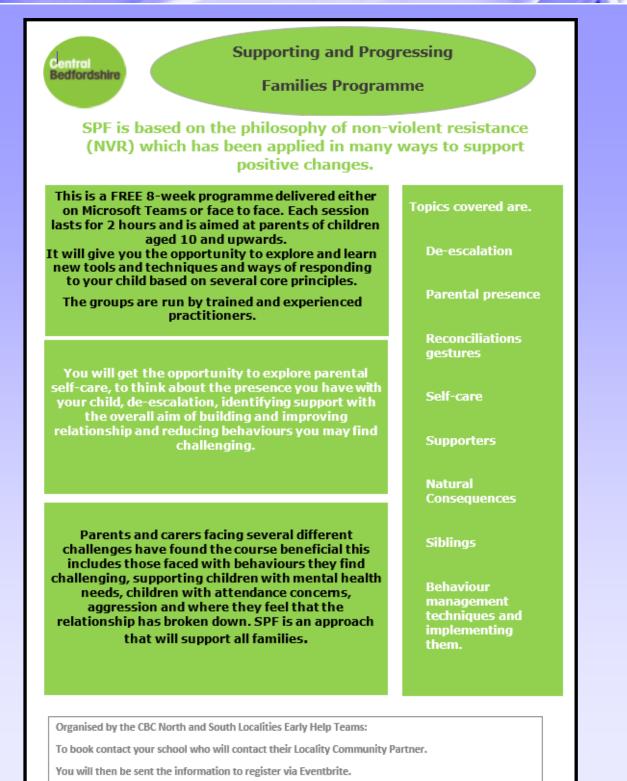
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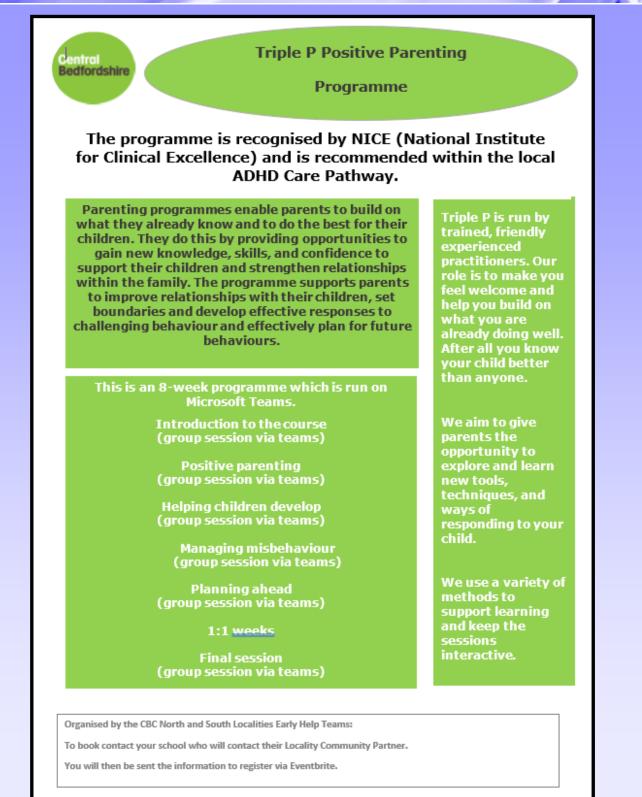


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### Sandy Tiger's FC: Tiger Cubs

Tiger Cubs is for children showing an interest in football from an early age.

Your child will be coached by Level 3 and Module 3 Age Appropriate FA Qualified coach and given the very best start to their footballing life. This will also put your child in the best position to move to one of our teams at U7 (school year 2)

Tiger Cubs sessions will be run in blocks of sessions in line with term time only.

Payment for these will be requested in advance.

Because demand for places in Tiger Cubs is likely to be increased and spaces are limited, you will need to register your child in advance and details of the first series of sessions are shown below.

#### Location

The venue will be at Sandy Secondary School although this may be subject to change if the ground becomes unavailable (you will be notified of any change in advance).

Dates
13/11/21
20/11/21
27/11/21

4/12/21

Times

Age Range	Times
Reception (U5)	9.30 -10.15am
Year 1 (U6) and Year 2 (U7) Year 3 and 4s.	10.30 - 11.30am
Wildcats Girls Only <u>5-</u> <u>11 year</u> olds	11.45- 12.45 pm





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### Costs

The total cost for each period will vary depending on the number of weeks in the period however it will be based of £3.00 per session. £15 for the 5 week of sessions. All session will need to be paid in advance. (If a child misses a session through illness or holiday or bad weather etc no refund will be made).

### **More Information and Booking**

If any further information is required or to book then please contact Natasha at <u>orchie@virginmedia.com</u> or 07957 980492

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Name:
Age:
DOB:
Medical Information:
Year Group:
Parent / Guardian name:
Contact number:
E-mail address:
Payment included:

Please complete the above details and return this slip with payment cash only to 20 Merlin Drive Sandy SG19 2UN.





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High Quality Football Coaching by very experienced coaches who supplement your own club sessions. Developing - Technical skills – Physical skills – Psychological skills – Social skills

Date - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021 £4 per session – 5 week block of Development At Sandy Sports Centre – SG19 1BL. Times/ages: 6-7pm = 10 - 15 years

UEFA B coaches - Youth Award Level 3 - Enhanced DBS - Safeguarding BFAS (Basic First Aid for Sport)

Contact: Natasha – 07957980492 – natasha@4cornercoaching.co.uk www.4cornercoaching.co.uk







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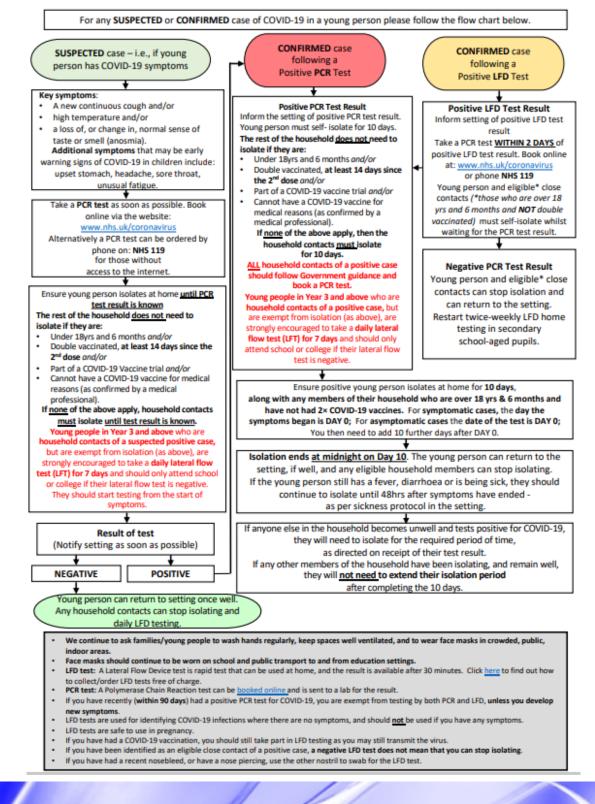
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	Self-weigh	09:30-12:00	Weekly	Sandy Children's Centre	0300 300 8134 / 0300 300 8114	Appointment only for weighing babies when recommended by health professionals.
Å	Top-up Shop	11:00-13:00	Weekly	Sandy Baptist Church	0300 300 8134 / 0300 300 8114	In partnership with The Need Project. If you are struggling, pop along to pick up some food.
ds∃U	Brasserie	13:00-14:30	Weekly	Sandy Baptist Church	alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk shelly.collins@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	Drop-in social and support group for breastfeeding mums to be.
T	Parent Puzzle	19:00-21:00	10 week course (not half-term) starting 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Sandy Children's Centre	claire.racher@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	A 10-week Programme covering: Praise & Empathy; Family Rules, Rewards & Penalties; Choices & Consequences; Feelings; Handling anger; Kinds of touch; Behaviour to Ignore. For parents of children 3-5 years.
	Bump, Birth & Baby	09:15-14:30	1 <sup>st</sup> September 6 <sup>th</sup> October 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Virtual	Book online at <u>https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs</u>	One day antenatal class for mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners are welcome
YAQ23N	Bump, Birth & Baby	13:00-14:30	29 <sup>th</sup> September 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual	Book online at <u>https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs</u>	<ol> <li>Abour refresher, antenatal information for 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> time mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners welcome.</li> </ol>
MEDI	SEND Stay & Play	13:00-14:30	13 <sup>th</sup> October	Sandy Children's Centre	<u>karen.burton@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</u> alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.u <u>k</u>	Support for parents, carers and their children who have additional needs. A safe space where you can chat to parents in a similar situation.
	Bump, Birth & Baby	13:00-14:30	3 week course 13 <sup>th</sup> October 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Virtual	Book online at <u>https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs</u>	Three week antenatal class for mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners are welcome
29UHT YAQ	Revive	11:00-12:00	6 week course 30 <sup>th</sup> September 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Sandy Baptist Church	claire.racher@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Catherine.brighton@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	Women's support group for those that are experiencing low mood or anxiety. It is a safe space to express your emotions and be heard.
	Baby Days	10:00-11:30	4 week course 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Sandy Children's Centre	alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk shelly.collins@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	4 sessions for new parents and babies 0 – 3 months covering, sleep, feeding, baby brain development and childhood illnesses.
YAGIAT	Introduction to Solids	10:00-11:00	17 <sup>th</sup> September 15 <sup>th</sup> October 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Virtual	<u>kirsty-anne.beard@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</u> alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	Advice and support around introducing solids to your 6 month old baby
	Baby Sign	10:00-11:00	3 week course 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Sandy Children's Centre	<u>karen.burton@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</u>	Learn to communication with you baby on our fun three week course. Babies from 6 months.
	Baby Massage	13:00-14:00	4 week course 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Sandy Children's Centre	kirsty-anne.beard@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	Bond with your baby through baby massage. This course is for babies 6 weeks to 6 months.

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#### COVID-19 Guidance for Parents/Carers in Central Bedfordshire Education Settings: 01.11.21



CBC Parent/Guardian Flow Chart: COVID-19

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Training days set as follows: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Friday 3rd September 2021 (3 days), Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021 (1 day), Friday 22<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 (1 day).

The law requires that a parent ensures that their child receives a full and efficient education. If you enrol your child at a school, then you must ensure that they attend regularly. Regular school attendance is defined as being in accordance with the rules prescribed by the school and means that is the school is open for 190 days, then this is what your child is expected to attend. We know that excellent school attendance has a positive effect on pupil outcomes.

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