



The Moggy Messenger

A little school with big ideas

Issue No 6 Friday 10th December 2021



Message from our Executive Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian

I know I am getting older, but this term seems to have flown past so quickly and it seems impossible that we are breaking up for **Christmas** at the end of this week.

It has been lovely over the term, to see the children **grow in confidence** and **progress academically** and **socially**. It really has been wonderful to see the work they are producing and how creative they are.

The school has been alive with song over the last few weeks, in preparation for **Chicks and Robins' Nativity** and the **Carol Concert from Years 1 to 6**. I do apologise that we have had to take extra precautions this year and restrict numbers, but we have had to follow Public Health guidance and we were concerned we would not be able to hold these events at all, **so we are really grateful that these events went ahead**.

I love these events and it really does start to get us all in the Christmas spirit. The children in **Chicks and Robins** were **wonderful** and really tried their best. **Thank you** to **Mrs Smith and Miss Cunningham** and the **Early Years Team**, for all their work and support in making this a wonderful way to spend an afternoon and create such lovely memories for the children and you as parents.

The Carol Concert by children in **Years 1 to 6** was **excellent** and brought the spirit of what the holidays are all about, to life. It was **wonderful** to have a mix of modern holiday spirit with traditional carols. The children were a **real credit** and showed again how adaptable and resilient they are. I would also like to **thank** the **Years 1—6 teams** for their wonderful work and support.



We would also like to send our sincere thanks to **Anderson's Farm** for their continued support and for their very kind the donation of the lovely **Christmas tree** that is now on display in the school hall.



Church Window Display

I would like to thank **Mrs Kellow** and all the children for creating a display to go into the **church window** to represent the **Spirit of Christmas**. If you have a chance, please do go and see all of their hard work.

Pantomime

We are looking forward to taking Reception through to Year 6 pupils to see **Aladdin** at the Gordon Craig Theatre, in Stevenage, on **Wednesday 15th December**. Please do not forget to provide your child with a **packed lunch**, preferably in a plastic bag. If you have booked your child a packed lunch through our Innovate service they will be taking that with them on the day. Children who are remaining in school will be joining Early Years for lots of **fun activities**.

Christmas Lunch

Please be aware that we have the Christmas lunch on **Thursday 16th December** in school and we are happy for the children to wear their Christmas jumpers for the lunch.

Extremely Cold Weather

Now that winter is really here and we are having spells of very cold weather, please can I ask that your son/daughter has a **warm coat, hat, gloves and scarf**, as we will still continue to go outside as much as possible.



We would also strongly recommended on PE days a navy track suit, and school PE T-shirt, we would ask that all other branded items are not worn into school.

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Homework

There will be no homework set over Christmas.

FOMPS Christmas Party



I know the children's Christmas Party has not happened yet, but I would like to thank **FOMPS** in advance, for arranging this and I know they have a special guest for the children and I am sure everyone will have a wonderful time.

Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to **thank you** for your **continued support** over this continued difficult period and ask again that, if your son/daughter shows any symptoms of **Covid-19**, you do not bring them into school unless they have a **negative LFT or PCR test**.



If you have the new Omicron variant in the household, or you have been contacted as a close contact of someone with the Omicron variant, please do not send your son/daughter into school. They should **self isolate** with you for **10 days**, regardless of whether you are vaccinated—this is the revised guidance from Public Health England and the Government.

I would like to **thank** all of the staff at **Moggerhanger Primary School** for all of their **hard work** over the last term and wish all of you and them a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Best wishes for the festive period. We look forward to seeing all the children in the New Year and hearing all about the holidays.

Moggies Events

A big thank you to **Miss Carly** for holding all the wonderful **dance events** in after school club over the last couple of terms. The children have really enjoyed learning new skills and have grown in **confidence and ability**. Please find some more information regarding her weekly classes below.

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www.facebook.com/belleetoledance/

We hope the children have enjoyed all the events in **after school club** throughout December, and are always happy to receive ideas on any future events/clubs you would like to see.

Another big **thank you** to our PE teacher, **Miss Corke**, who has been providing lots of **fun** and activities during after school club, such as dodgeball, football, and ball skills that the children have very much enjoyed.

Miss K Hayward
Executive Principal

A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!

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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MOGGERHANGER CHRISTMAS TRAIL

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**All proceeds raised goes towards Friends of Moggerhanger
Primary School**

Charity number 1188913

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December Xmas Cracker Camps 4cornercoaching



Mon 20th & Wed 22nd Dec – Eynesbury Rovers FC – PE19 2SF – Astro

Tues 21st & Thurs 23rd Dec - Sandy Sports Centre - SG19 1BL – Grass

Time/cost – 9.30am – 12.30pm = £15 per day



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

Mark – 07419764033 – mark@4cornercoaching.co.uk

www.4cornercoaching.co.uk



Xmas Cracker Goal Keeping Camps By 4 Corner Coaching



Handling

Footwork

Monday 20th Dec 2021 Only

Venue: Eynesbury Rovers FC (Grass) PE19 2SF

Tuesday 21st Dec 2021 Only

Venue: Sandy Sports Centre (Grass) SG19 1BL

Time – 9.30am till 12.30pm

Goal Keeping Camps for 7-14 year olds.

Places very limited....

Costs £15 per person per day.

UEFA B coaches – Youth Award Level 3 - Enhanced DBS

Safeguarding – BFAS (Basic First Aid for Sport)

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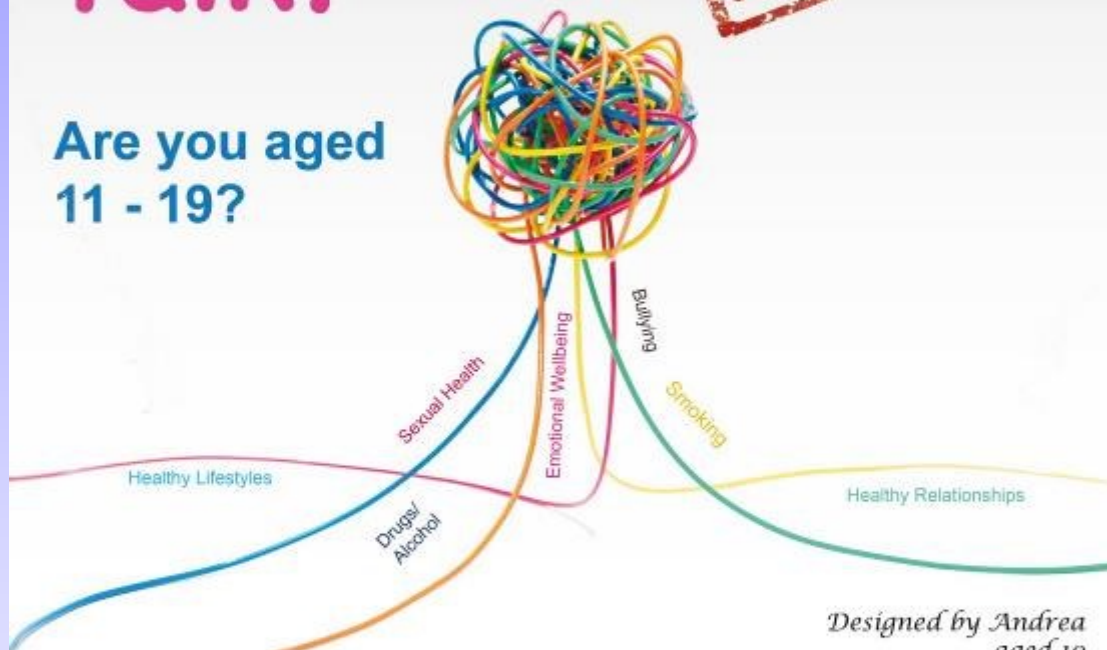
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Need to talk?

Are you aged
11 - 19?



*Designed by Andrea
aged 10*

**Text your school nurse on
07507 331450 (Beds)**

Messages are charged at your usual rate

Text messages will be answered between 9am and 4.30pm (Mon to Fri)



Confidentiality and safety disclaimer

We do not usually inform your parents, or anyone else if you contact our nurses. We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate bounce-back to confirm we've received your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working hours. If you need help before you hear back from us, contact a professional or your doctor. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To find out what we do with your information, please visit NHS CCS privacy notice. Prevent the school nurse from sending messages to you by texting STOP to our number.

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Parentline

A confidential text messaging advice and support line for Bedfordshire parents and carers of children aged 0-19.

Text: 07507 331456

Parenting advice and support Sleep Continence

Immunisations Mental health Minor illness

Speech Behaviour Temper tantrums

Infant feeding Diet & exercise

Child development Parenting

and much, much more....



We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we've received your text. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To find out what we do with your information, please internet search: "NHS CCS privacy notice" or use this link [bit.ly/ahaprivacynotice](#). Prevent the health professional from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.

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never
sounded so
good!**

Our Saturday Music Centres offer a chance for musicians of all ages and abilities to play and learn together in an informal and fun setting.

They offer varied music-making opportunities, such as string and jazz ensembles, keyboards, ukuleles, folk group, junior band and concert band.

And they are a great stepping stone if you are looking to go on and perform with a local group, orchestra or collective.

**For full
details of
activities,
please
visit our
website.**

**Please sign up via our
website before you visit**
(14 day cooling off period applies)



Amphill Music Centre
9.30am to 12.30pm
Redborne Upper School
Flitwick Road
Amphill MK45 2NU

Biggleswade Music Centre
9.30am to 12.30pm
Stratton Upper School
Eagle Farm Road
Biggleswade SG18 8JB

**Leighton Linslade Music Centre includes
Music Making for
those with learning
difficulties.**

Leighton Linslade Music Centre
9.30am to 12.30pm
Vandyke Upper School
Vandyke Road
Leighton Buzzard
LU7 3DY



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Term Dates

Autumn: 25 September - 11 December 2021

Spring: 8 January - 26 March 2022

Summer: 23 April - 16 July 2022

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To find out more please look online

 www.inspiringmusic.co.uk

 **CBC Inspiring Music**  **@InspiringMusic1**

Contact us on  **0300 300 6604**

or  **inspiring.music@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk**

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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.



SCAN ME

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.

easy read and translation 

- Play
- Eating
- Dressing
- Self-care (eg washing)



- 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



Christmas
FOOTBALL CAMP

Join us for our fun
Christmas Football Camp
December 21st - 23rd 2021
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Stotfold

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Available

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Supporting and Progressing Families Programme

SPF is based on the philosophy of non-violent resistance (NVR) which has been applied in many ways to support positive changes.

This is a FREE 8-week programme delivered either on Microsoft Teams or face to face. Each session lasts for 2 hours and is aimed at parents of children aged 10 and upwards.

It will give you the opportunity to explore and learn new tools and techniques and ways of responding to your child based on several core principles.

The groups are run by trained and experienced practitioners.

You will get the opportunity to explore parental self-care, to think about the presence you have with your child, de-escalation, identifying support with the overall aim of building and improving relationship and reducing behaviours you may find challenging.

Parents and carers facing several different challenges have found the course beneficial this includes those faced with behaviours they find challenging, supporting children with mental health needs, children with attendance concerns, aggression and where they feel that the relationship has broken down. SPF is an approach that will support all families.

Topics covered are.

De-escalation

Parental presence

Reconciliations gestures

Self-care

Supporters

Natural Consequences

Siblings

Behaviour management techniques and implementing them.

Organised by the CBC North and South Localities Early Help Teams:

To book contact your school who will contact their Locality Community Partner.

You will then be sent the information to register via Eventbrite.

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Triple P Positive Parenting Programme

The programme is recognised by NICE (National Institute for Clinical Excellence) and is recommended within the local ADHD Care Pathway.

Parenting programmes enable parents to build on what they already know and to do the best for their children. They do this by providing opportunities to gain new knowledge, skills, and confidence to support their children and strengthen relationships within the family. The programme supports parents to improve relationships with their children, set boundaries and develop effective responses to challenging behaviour and effectively plan for future behaviours.

This is an 8-week programme which is run on Microsoft Teams.

**Introduction to the course
(group session via teams)**

**Positive parenting
(group session via teams)**

**Helping children develop
(group session via teams)**

**Managing misbehaviour
(group session via teams)**

**Planning ahead
(group session via teams)**

1:1 weeks

**Final session
(group session via teams)**

Triple P is run by trained, friendly experienced practitioners. Our role is to make you feel welcome and help you build on what you are already doing well. After all you know your child better than anyone.

We aim to give parents the opportunity to explore and learn new tools, techniques, and ways of responding to your child.

We use a variety of methods to support learning and keep the sessions interactive.

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Sandy Area
September – December 2021
0300 300 8134 / 0300 300 8114
Sandy.ChildrensCentre@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk



**Bedfordshire
Community
Health Services**

**Worried about your child's talking,
listening, interaction or
stammering?**

Book a phone or video consultation with the Speech &
Language Therapist please contact lisa.mitchell26@nhs.net

Sandy and Biggleswade Locality Children's Centre

Support & Advice

The Centre staff are able to offer support and advice on breast feeding, parenting, choosing childcare, FREE 2 year funded pre-school places, introducing solid food, toilet training, stop smoking, oral health, training/education, home safety and lots more. Please ask a member of the team or contact us by phone or email.

Freedom

The Freedom Programme is a 12 week rolling programme, which can be joined at any time. It aims to help women who have experienced domestic abuse to make sense of and understand what has happened or is happening to them. It is a nurturing environment, where help and support can be found and friendship and confidence is built. Please contact Paula.Murphy@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk for further information

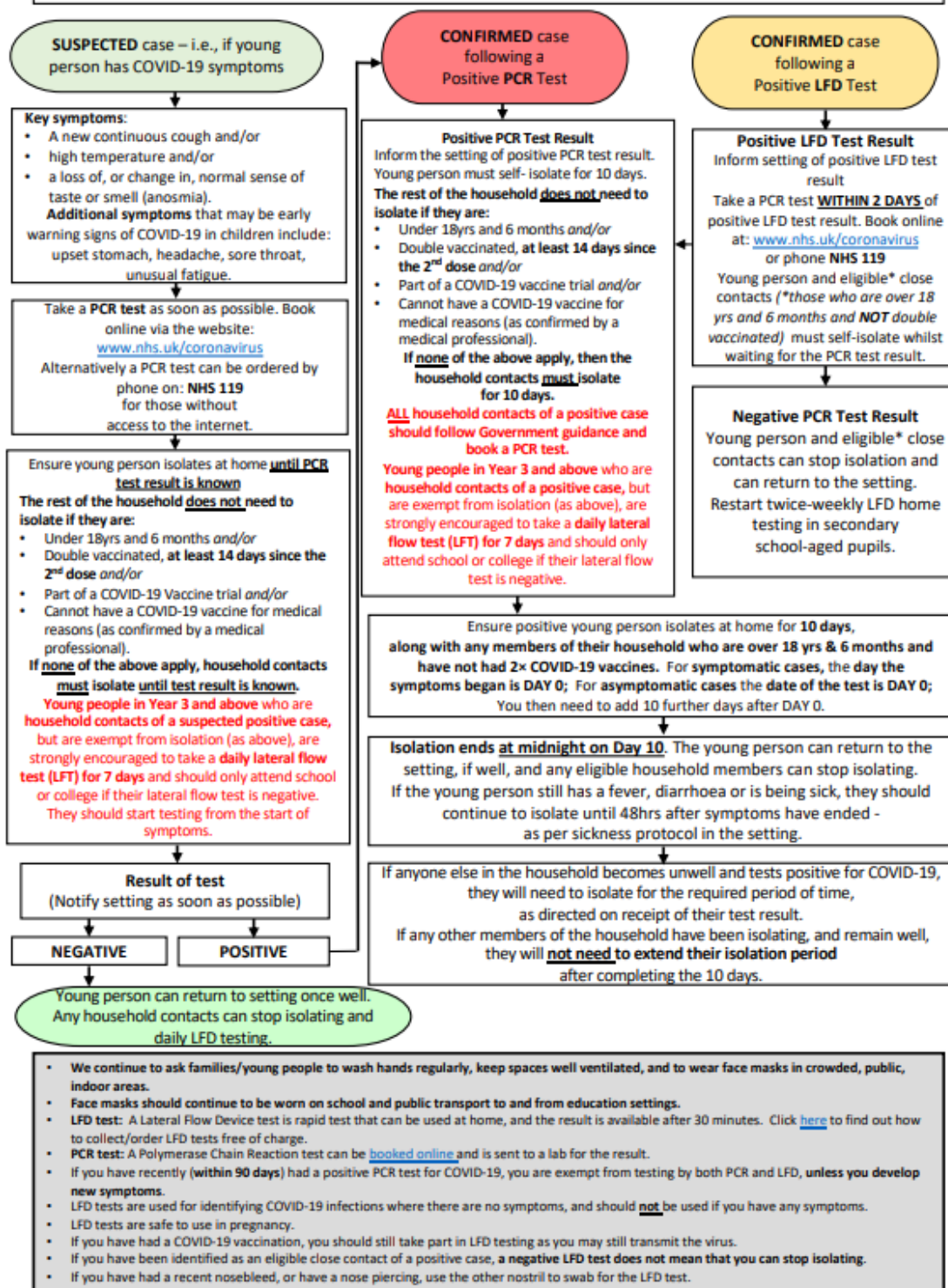
Bedfordshire 0-19 Service - Health Visiting Team

Telephone: 0300 555 0606 Health Hub : available 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday - 0-5 years
Email: ccs.bedsandlutonchildrenshealthhub@nhs.net
Social Media: [f @BedsCHS](https://www.facebook.com/cambscommunityservices) [@BedsCYP](https://www.instagram.com/BedsCYP)
Website: www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/luton/childrens/services
Children's Centres: Central Bedfordshire: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/12/childcare/113/childrens_centres
 Bedford Borough: www.bedford.gov.uk/schools-education-and-childcare/early-years-and-childcare/childrens-centres

Day	Session	Time	Date	Location	For information and booking	Information
TUESDAY	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.
	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.
	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 and mums to be.
	Parent Puzzle	19:00-21:00	10 week course (not half-term) starting 14 th 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.
WEDNESDAY	Bump, Birth & Baby	09:15-14:30	1 st September 6 th October 3 rd November 1 st December	Virtual	Book online at https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs	One day antenatal class for mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners are welcome
	Bump, Birth & Baby	13:00-14:30	29 th September 15 th December	Virtual	Book online at https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs	1.5 hour refresher, antenatal information for 2 nd or 3 rd time mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners welcome.
	SEND Stay & Play	13:00-14:30	13 th October	Sandy Children's Centre	karen.burton@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk alison.coats@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	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 th October 10 th November	Virtual	Book online at https://tinyurl.com/23cttsxs	Three week antenatal class for mums-to-be from 30 weeks pregnant. Partners are welcome
THURS DAY	Revive	11:00-12:00	6 week course 30 th September 11 th 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.
FRIDAY	Baby Days	10:00-11:30	4 week course 17 th 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.
	Introduction to Solids	10:00-11:00	17 th September 15 th October 19 th November	Virtual	kirsty-anne.beard@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk 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 th November	Sandy Children's Centre	karen.burton@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk	Learn to communicate with you baby on our fun three week course. Babies from 6 months.
	Baby Massage	13:00-14:00	4 week course 19 th 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.

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

For any **SUSPECTED** or **CONFIRMED** case of COVID-19 in a young person please follow the flow chart below.



CBC Parent/Guardian Flow Chart: COVID-19



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Moggerhanger Primary School Academic Calendar - 2022/2023 – Set Final

School Holiday	Open Day	Bank Holiday	Pupil Day	Training Day
September 2022	October 2022	November 2022	December 2022	
Mon 5 12 19 26	Mon 3 10 17 24 31	Mon 7 14 21 28	Mon 5 12 19 26	
Tue 6 13 20 27	Tue 4 11 18 25	Tue 1 8 15 22 29	Tue 6 13 20 27	
Wed 7 14 21 28	Wed 5 12 19 26	Wed 2 9 16 23 30	Wed 7 14 21 28	
Thu 1 8 15 22 29	Thu 6 13 20 27	Thu 3 10 17 24	Thu 1 8 15 22 29	
Fri 2 9 16 23 30	Fri 7 14 21 28	Fri 4 11 18 25	Fri 2 9 16 23 30	
Sat 3 10 17 24	Sat 1 8 15 22 29	Sat 5 12 19 26	Sat 3 10 17 24 31	
Sun 4 11 18 25	Sun 2 9 16 23 30	Sun 6 13 20 27	Sun 4 11 18 25	
January 2023	February 2023	March 2023	April 2023	
Mon 2 9 16 23 30	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 6 13 20 27	Mon 3 10 17 24	
Tue 3 10 17 24 31	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 7 14 21 28	Tue 4 11 18 25	
Wed 4 11 18 25	Wed 1 8 15 22	Wed 1 8 15 22 29	Wed 5 12 19 26	
Thu 5 12 19 26	Thu 2 9 16 23	Thu 2 9 16 23 30	Thu 6 13 20 27	
Fri 6 13 20 27	Fri 3 10 17 24	Fri 3 10 17 24 31	Fri 7 14 21 28	
Sat 7 14 21 28	Sat 4 11 18 25	Sat 4 11 18 25	Sat 1 8 15 22 29	
Sun 1 8 15 22 29	Sun 5 12 19 26	Sun 5 12 19 26	Sun 2 9 16 23 30	
May 2023	June 2023	July 2023	August 2023	
Mon 1 8 15 22 29	Mon 5 12 19 26	Mon 3 10 17 24 31	Mon 7 14 21 28	
Tue 2 9 16 23 30	Tue 6 13 20 27	Tue 4 11 18 25	Tue 1 8 15 22 29	
Wed 3 10 17 24 31	Wed 7 14 21 28	Wed 5 12 19 26	Wed 2 9 16 23 30	
Thu 4 11 18 25	Thu 1 8 15 22 29	Thu 6 13 20 27	Thu 3 10 17 24 31	
Fri 5 12 19 26	Fri 2 9 16 23 30	Fri 7 14 21 28	Fri 4 11 18 25	
Sat 6 13 20 27	Sat 3 10 17 24	Sat 1 8 15 22 29	Sat 5 12 19 26	
Sun 7 14 21 28	Sun 4 11 18 25	Sun 2 9 16 23 30	Sun 6 13 20 27	

Term 1 - 72 days Term 2 - 59 days Term 3 - 64 days = 195 days

Pupil contact will amount to 190 of the 195 days. Schools will be closed on five of the 195 days. These five days will enable teacher training to take place in accordance with Teachers' Conditions of Service.

Training days set as follows: Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September 2023 (2 days), Friday 2nd December (1 day), Tuesday 3rd January 2023 (1 day), Friday 21st July 2023 (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 if the school is open for 190 days, then this is what your child is expected to attend.

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