

## SCHOOL OFFICE/MAIN RECEPTION

The school office will remain temporarily closed until further notice. Due to the current circumstances, please understand that staff will not be able to talk to you directly when you are dropping off/collecting your children. Please use the following table to help guide you on how to contact the office. Thank you.

QUERY	HOW TO CONTACT	WHERE TO CONTACT
General queries and concerns	Email	
Arranging a telephone consultation with a teacher	Email	<a href="mailto:admin@biglandgreen.towerhamlets.sch.uk">admin@biglandgreen.towerhamlets.sch.uk</a>
Reporting absences	Call/Leave message	020 7702 7088
Arranging alternative pick-up	Call	
Urgent matters	Call	

## CLUBS, BRIGHT MINDS, LIFE SKILLS AND OTHER SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

Registrations for clubs, Bright Minds, Life Skills and other additional support will only be via the Parent Hub from next term. If you have not already downloaded the app then kindly do so in good time to avoid any technical glitches. The school will not take any responsibility for last-minute technical problems. However, if you have any problems downloading now then the school will be very happy to assist.

It is important that the phone number you use is in the school system otherwise you may not be able to get messages via the app. For any enquiries please email the school office.

## FACE COVERINGS

We are reminding parents to continue to use face coverings when dropping/picking up their children. Kindly maintain social distancing at all times. Follow the one-way walking system inside and outside the school.

We are trying our best to keep you and your children safe. Thank you for supporting us.



## TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS FOR TRAFFIC ON BIGLAND STREET



From 8 December, Tower Hamlets will enforce traffic restrictions on Bigland St - from Cannon St Road. The road can only be used by pedestrians, cycles, vehicles that are exempt and emergency vehicles.

The restrictions will be enforced by fixed penalty notices. Parents are being alerted in advance. If you live within a 30 minute walking distance then kindly

walk to school. If you must drive then kindly park at least two minutes away from the school and then walk. Thank you for your cooperation.

## CONSULTATION ON SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITY

Tower Hamlets is consulting and holding open meetings about future support given to schools and children. The council is considering measures to cut cost and meet the increasing demands. This will impact on how services work with schools and children. Parents/staff can read the document and respond here <https://talk.towerhamlets.gov.uk/sls-send>.

The consultation will close at **5:00PM** on **Wednesday 6 January 2021**. The school is strongly encouraging everyone to read the consultation and give their views and opinions.

## NASAL FLU VACCINATION

The nasal flu vaccine contains a highly processed form of gelatine (pork gelatine). Parents can specify whether they want their child to have the vaccine or not on the letter which was sent out on Tuesday. Please return consent forms sealed in its envelope by Monday 30 November 2020. There will be a designated box in front of the office where they can be dropped off. Forms given after this date cannot be actioned.

# CAN MY CHILD GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

## Do they have any COVID Symptoms?

- a **high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

**Yes**

They have a COVID symptom

### Self Isolate and Book a COVID Test

Book the test online or call 119

All members of the household should stay at home until the test result is known.\*

\*Visit [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) for advice on when to stop isolating and return to school after a positive or negative test.

**No**

They do not have a COVID symptom

## Do they have diarrhoea or vomiting?

**No**

They do not have diarrhoea or vomiting

**Yes**

They do have diarrhoea or vomiting

## Do they feel unwell?

It is important that parents keep children at home when they are unwell

**No**

They do not feel unwell

**Yes**

They feel unwell

### Send to school

So long as your child feels well, has not been told to self-isolate and there are no other household members with COVID symptoms, it is OK for them to attend school.

### Keep at home

- Remain off school until they feel well enough to return. Seek medical help from a GP if needed (or 111 if your surgery is closed).
- Remain off school until at least 24 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. A COVID test is not required for diarrhoea and vomiting without the other symptoms above.

Quote for the Week

**“Great things never came from comfort zones”**