

To the Brent Knoll Community,

We in the Children, Families and Communities Committee would like to say hello to you all and wish you a Happy New Year!

As we all know, it has been a difficult start to 2021; we knew it wasn't going to be easy given the news we were hearing over the festive season and to find ourselves in another full lockdown with our schools closed and work lives disrupted again is more than just frustrating and ever so challenging.

We wanted to make contact and let you know that our thoughts are with everyone in our community and we appreciate how hard it is to manage day to day on so many different levels, work, home schooling, lack of face-to-face contact with family and friends. The list goes on...

We would like to encourage you to join our BK Family what's app group where we share information and tips (sometimes something funny!) to hopefully help manage things a little better and know that we are not alone, despite the circumstances we now find ourselves in. Please contact the school office who will pass on your details to group admin.

Just like last year, Andy Taylor and his staff are always willing to support your family in many ways and we urge you to speak with your class teacher, Emma Moore, or the school office if you are experiencing difficulty and need further help and support. Please do not worry alone, it is always worth a phone call or email to school, even the smallest of changes can help a lot.

Emma will be hosting a Family Forum Zoom meeting with a focus on wellbeing to give us families a chance to see each other and connect, which is more important than ever at the moment. This will be on 19 January at 1:30pm. Hope to see you then.

Zoom meeting ID: 735 1119 1248

Passcode: Brenknoll

Link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2806232039?pwd=SitScmZqcZbFhCcE44OFpWRnZmQT09>

We, the same as you look forward to when this challenging period is over, and our children and young people can return to school and life can resume to some sort of normality, however that looks.

Please stay safe and be well.

Best wishes

Cheryl Cowie
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Children, Families & Communities Committee