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CofE Primary School

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Information Letter for EYFS Classes

19th April 2021

Dear Parents

We would like to offer you a very warm welcome back after the Easter Break

Due to the ongoing situation, we will be operating staggered start and finish times for different year groups. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIMINGS FOR THE SCHOOL DAY FOR EYFS. The school day for EYFS will start at 9am and finish at 3.15pm. Drop off will begin at 8.50 am and the gates will close for school at 9am.** Please do ensure that you stick to these times so we are able to start the children's learning on time and ensure that we keep numbers on our site to a minimum.

Morning Routine

- Parents and children will access the site through the Claverton Road entrance. Please turn right and look out for your child's class teacher who will greet them from 8.50am and direct them round to the classroom. Bumblebees will be greeted near the bike sheds and Butterflies will be greeted further up the path.
- We politely ask that parents leave the site as soon as their child says goodbye.
- Please can you ensure that all of your child's belongings fit into one small bag. Please also bring in two drinks bottles and if you choose to provide your child's own lunch, that it is in a plastic lunchbox. Reading folders will need to be brought in daily.
- As the EYFS zone is on a field, all children must wear wellies in to school and bring their school shoes in their bag to wear inside. Please could children also keep a spare set of underwear, socks or tights and trousers in their bag in case they need to change.
- The children will be asked to wash their hands as soon as they enter the school buildings and at regular points throughout the day. School has plenty of anti-bacterial soap and hand sanitiser so you will not be expected to provide this for your own child. Please can you also ensure your child is washing their hands before leaving your house.

Afternoon Routine

- Please meet your child by the correct gate on our field, socially distanced as far as possible. The class teacher will direct the children to you.
- Please can you make sure only one parent from each household comes on site and we ask that where possible, siblings not of primary school age do not come on site.
- We also ask that at the current time, children are picked up exclusively by members of their own family bubbles.
- Please ensure your child washes their hands on arrival home.

We thank you for your co-operation.

Topics for Term 5 and 6:

We will be looking at Celebrations, Ramadan and Eid, Growth including Jack and the Beanstalk and The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Under the Sea and Schools, with a focus of moving on to Year One.

Snacks The school policy on snacks is to ensure that they should be a healthy option. If you would like your child to have a mid-morning snack, we encourage them to bring in fresh fruit or vegetables. The best snacks are foods that they can eat with their fingers. Chopped up, fruit or raw veggies such as carrots or peppers are ideal. Breadsticks and wholemeal crackers are also great finger foods that can be spread with low-fat soft cheese. Please note: that the most recent guidance is that dried fruit is no longer recommended as a between-meal snack as its high in sugar and can be bad for teeth. **Parents have asked about various shop purchased snacks, such as fruit winders, malt loaf and breakfast bars etc. Most of these snacks are usually high in sugar so we ask that they are kept for after school treats.**



Water should be the only drink. Milk can be purchased through the [school milk service](#) but is free until your child turns 5. **It is essential that your child has two named water bottles that are easy for them to refill during the day.** Thank you for your support

Nut and seed life-threatening allergy awareness: We have several children with severe life-threatening nut and sesame seed allergies and a reaction can be triggered by airborne contact. For safety reasons, we must insist that parents/guardians do not send children to school with peanut butter sandwiches, Nutella, cereal bars containing nuts etc. or indeed anything containing nuts or sesame seeds (i.e. on buns or snack bars.) Thank you for your co-operation and understanding with this.

Birthday celebrations: We will always acknowledge and celebrate birthdays but we cannot accept any sweets or gifts brought in from home.

Toys: Unfortunately, children will not be able to bring in any toys or games from home. This also includes for Golden Time. We will ensure there are games and activities available in each class for this.

Reading, spellings and Doodle: We will continue to assess your child's reading and change their books weekly. Do keep reading with them daily to help them progress. Spelling walls will be reviewed and updated where necessary- please do ensure these are kept in your child's folder. Doodle Maths and Doodle Spelling are an excellent resource to support your child's progression. Little and often is usually best so do keep logging in to earn those stars.

Physical Education: PE days are on a **Tuesday and Thursday**. On a Tuesdays we are delighted to be welcoming back some curriculum coaches from Up and Under Sports. In a change to the arrangements, children will change into their PE kits on their PE days. These can be kept in a bag on their pegs. This should be a red plain or [Saltford t shirts](#) and black shorts or jogging trousers and trainers with Velcro fastenings and a fleece type jacket or [red Saltford hoody](#).

Swimming: Thank you to those parents who have answered the swimming questionnaire. We hope to start swimming in Term 6, as long as it is safe to do so, and more details regarding this will follow.

PPA Time: This is class teacher's support time away from the class room and will be covered by Mrs. Browne. PPA time will be every other Wednesday for each teacher. Mrs Browne will also teach Bumblebee class every Friday as Miss Davis will be carrying out her duties as a Raising Standards Associate, supporting standards in primary schools, across Wellsway MAT.

Lost Property: **Please make sure that everything is named.** This includes things like socks, shoes, hats, gloves, lunchboxes and drink bottles!! If everything is named, we will save a huge amount of time searching for lost items.

School Dinners: Foundation Stage children are not required to pay should they wish to have a school dinner. Hot meals are prepared on site and you can find the menu [here](#). Alternatively, parents can choose to provide their child with a packed lunch from home.

Payments: Where payment for trips or events is required, the school uses School Gateway, an online payment system. A link to the School Gateway system is available on our website or through <https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login>.

Hair: We would like to request that all long hair (boys and girls) is put up for school in an effort to help prevent the outbreaks of head lice which are so common. Please can all hair be tied neatly, with only small clips and elastics to fasten them. Please see our uniform policy in the office section of the website for further information. <http://www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Miss Davis
Bumblebee Class Teacher



Miss Donovan
Butterfly Class Teacher