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NEWSLETTER - ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER - 6

Dear Parents,

As you know, it is the government's intention that all children will return to full time education in September and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to Barnett Wood next term.

The first day of the Autumn term for the children will be **Thursday 3rd September**.

Our protective measures have been put in place to keep everyone in our school community safe.

To limit the number of people on the school site, we will continue to have staggered start and finish times as follows:

class	drop off	pick up
Foxes	8.30 - 8.40am	2.30pm
Hedgehogs	8.40 - 8.50am	2.40pm
Owls	8.50 - 9.00am	2.50pm
Badgers	9.00 - 9.10am	3.00pm
Deer	9.10 - 9.20am	3.10pm
Rabbits	9.20 - 9.30am	3.20pm

This is our initial plan which we will monitor carefully for the first few weeks of school. If it is working well, we will look to welcome whole year groups at a time in the mornings.

Please ensure that you stick to your time slot. You will need to wait on a white spot on the playground near your entrance area and you will be called forward. It is vital for everyone's safety that we maintain social distancing. Children are not allowed to play on the playground equipment before or after school.

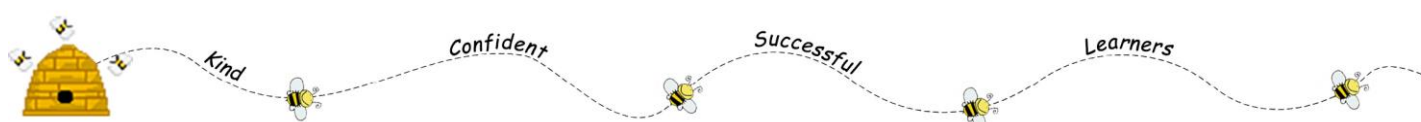
For those parents who have children in different classes, you are welcome to drop both of your children at the earlier time and class teachers will be flexible about siblings starting earlier or being picked up earlier/later.

Our 'Early Drop-Off' facility is still suspended for the time being. We hope to restart this as soon as we can safely do so.

Breakfast Club and After School Club will restart from Thursday 3rd September. Information via the Office.

Bikes and scooters can be left in the newly designated areas just inside the entrance gates.

If you use public transport to come to school, we may need to consider altering your pick up/drop off times. If this applies to you, please contact info@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk.



We will be staggering break times and lunchtimes to minimise contact between different year groups.

All communication will continue to be via email for the time being.

The following email addresses will be active **from 3rd September**, should you need to contact the class teachers or myself:

mrstheobald@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

foxes@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

hedgehogs@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

deer@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

rabbits@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

badgers@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

owls@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

The teachers will aim to respond to emails after school finishes for the day and I have instructed them to respond to emails up until 5pm only, Monday to Friday. This is for their well-being and work-life balance, as I'm sure you appreciate.

Please note that any urgent messages, general enquiries and correspondence about attendance or absences should still be via the school office: info@barnett-wood.surrey.sch.uk

We ask parents to send in a small box of tissues for their child's personal use, please. We will let you know when these need replacing.

The current government guidelines are that children under 11 do not need to wear face coverings.

If you decide that you would prefer your child to wear a face covering, they will need to be able to put it on and take it off correctly by themselves. Adults will not be able to help with this.

We will continue to wash hands regularly throughout the day and the children will be supervised when doing so. We also have hand sanitiser stations in every classroom as well as other areas of the school.

For the time being, we have opted for our children to have a free packed lunch. If you prefer, children may bring a packed lunch from home.

As the free fruit for schools scheme is currently not operating, please provide your child with a fresh fruit or vegetable snack for morning break, if you would like to. The children do tend to get quite hungry half way through the morning.

We have some guidelines related to COVID-19 to remind you about.

Please remember that you must not send your child to school if they have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or have tested positive in the last 7 days or if another household member develops coronavirus symptoms. If this is the case, you must inform the school and follow the national 'Stay at Home' guidance.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

Our response to infection means that we will follow the NHS Test and Trace process.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>

If you do go abroad this summer, please check any guidelines on quarantine so that your child is back in time to start the new school year on the 3rd September.

We are expecting updated guidance to be announced in August so there may be more emails over the summer. Please do check for them. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to pass on our sincere thanks from all the staff who have been spoilt as always with very kind cards, messages and gifts.

We wish everyone a lovely summer and we look forward to welcoming you all back on 3rd September.

Léonie Theobald
Head Teacher