



# Nunnery Wood Primary School



Thursday 5th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

I hope that everyone was able to enjoy a lovely half term break. As we move into at least another month long lockdown, please be assured that we will be operating a 'business as usual' approach in school, ensuring that we have a lovely lead into the Christmas period for our children. Things may be a little different but rest assured the staff team are working hard to ensure that we plan a little 'Christmas sparkle' into this half term's learning.

As a school, we are fully committed to remaining open to all children - as it is essential that children are in school for their mental health and wellbeing, as well as their academic progress. Over the past two months, I have been very proud of how the children have adapted to a 'new norm'. School is a very positive place providing a place for children to shine, develop and flourish. Even when we have had to close two year group bubbles, the response from parents and children was fantastic. Once again, the children demonstrated their resilience and adaptability to working remotely. Thank you for all your support as I know that it is challenging trying to juggle family life, work commitments and supporting your children with their remote learning.

However, we are not immune to the pandemic and it is causing staffing issues due to the track and trace system, and the need for staff to self-isolate. Rest assured we are still committed to providing the best possible opportunities for all of the children, with the resources that we have available. We will continue to strive to promptly respond to parents' emails and work in partnership with you.

## **COVID-19 testing and awaiting results.**

Please can we respectfully remind you that if your child or any one in your household has symptoms of Covid-19, then the individual must be tested and the rest of the household will need to self-isolate too. The whole household must continue to self-isolate until the results have been received. When the results are known, the individual and the household must then follow the appropriate guidelines in line with the test result.

## **School Community.**

In order for us to work within our guidelines and restrictions, we need your continued support. Please can we remind you of the daily timings for the beginning and end of the day, and the importance that these are adhered to.

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## **Beginning and end of day routines.**

The staggered starts and collections are fundamental to ensuring that all children, parents and staff feel safe at the beginning and end of the school day. Thank you to everyone for wearing face coverings.

### **START OF DAY**

Aspen, Apple, Chestnut, and Cherry: arrive **from 8:35am**

Hazel, Holly, Lilac and Lime: arrive **from 8:45am**. Most of these children should be arriving during this time slot.

Spruce, Sycamore, Maple and Mulberry: arrive **from 8:55am**. The majority of children should arrive from 8.55am.

Oak and Willow: **drop off from 8.55am**. The majority of children should arrive from 8.55am.

No child will be marked late unless it is after 9am. North gate (near Oak/Willow) will close at 9am.

The morning drop off procedure is very effective as from 8.35am there is a constant flow of parents/carers dropping their children at school.

### **END OF DAY**

Even though we have worked hard to support everyone at the end of the day - by ensuring that families can be collected at one time, and older children can walk independently to the South Gate - there are still far too many parents coming onsite at 3.10pm. Many parents and staff are feeling anxious, as it is virtually impossible to maintain social distancing between families.

The only reason your child should be dropped off or collected at a different time to their year group/class, would be that they have a brother or sister within school.

- Cherry, Chestnut, Apple and Aspen: collect from **3.10pm**.
- Hazel, Holly, Lilac and Lime: collect from **3.20pm**. Children from Year 6 who have permission to walk alone will not leave the site until **3.20pm**.
- Spruce, Sycamore, Maple and Mulberry: collect from **3.30pm**. Children from Year 5 who have permission to walk will not leave the site until **3.30pm**.
- Oak and Willow collect from **3.30pm**.

We must all work together during this pandemic to ensure that everyone feels as safe as possible at the end of the day, as well as the start. Please can you ensure that you adhere to your allocated collection time, as this will ensure that there are not large groups of parents/carers onsite at any one time. I appreciate it might be challenging but we all need to take responsibility for our own actions. Please can you ensure that high school children and anyone who collects your child/children are aware of the school policy about face coverings also.

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## Attendance

Please can you continue to advise us of the reason why your child is absence from school, as we need to know this information for our records – a Covid Symptoms flow chart is attached with this email if needed. All absences need to be reported to the office by 9am on 354154, or via email at [office@nunnerywoodprimary.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@nunnerywoodprimary.worcs.sch.uk)

Finally, you will have noticed that there has been an increased police presence in the area at the end of the school day, due to incidents that were reported earlier in the term. For the safety of all our community, please continue to be vigilant at this time. The safety of the children remains our utmost priority.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Higgins and the NWPS Team.

**\*\*Please remember to check ParentPay daily for important class letters and messages from your teachers.\*\***

<b><u>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY / CALENDAR</u></b>	
<b>Autumn 2 2020</b>	
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Whole School NHS Flu Vaccinations ( <b>consented pupils only</b> )
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Children In Need Day 🐻 (info to follow)
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Last day of term ❄️
<b>Spring 1 2021</b>	
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	STAFF INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Spring 1 term begins for children
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Last day of term 🌻
<b>Spring 2 2021</b>	
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	Spring 2 term begins for children
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Last day of term 🌍
<b>Summer 1 2021</b>	
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Summer 1 term begins for children
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Last day of term ☀️
<b>Summer 2 2021</b>	
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	STAFF INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Summer 2 term begins for children
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Last day of term 🌴

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