



Bird's Bush News



September Preparation letter 2

17th August 2020

Please make sure we have your up-to-date contact number so that we can contact you and keep you updated with our message system.

We hope that you are enjoying the summer holidays and that everyone is keeping well and staying safe. We are in the final preparation stages for our return to school on Wednesday 3rd September (except Reception children who have a different start date). School is looking better but it is still not the same, we have had the classrooms decorated during the holidays which has helped as they feel bright and clean ready to go. Final arrangements will be confirmed by the end of the last week of the holidays but this is a reminder of what we have in place currently.

It may still change depending on any Government updates.

Mrs Barnes

Coming into school

All children will enter school by the Pedestrian gate on Bird's Bush Road (by the Bungalow).

Children will be allocated an arrival time slot, please try to stick to this time as this will enable a regular flow of parents and children onto site.

We ask that only one adult brings children to school and that you observe social distancing at all times.

Parents will be able to wait in the waiting space, drop children off at the green gate and then follow the one way system around the side of school to exit using the car park gate.

The back gate will not be open.



Pedestrian gate on Bird's Bush Road



Waiting Area - please remember social distancing!



Green Gate - parents will then go out of the single gate and exit through the car park.

Staff will be around to escort children to their classroom doors

Allocated group	Drop off time	Collection time	Collection time Friday – (Friday club is 3.15)
Yellow	8.30am	2.45pm	12.45
Green	8.40am	2.55pm	12.55
Blue	8.50am	3.05pm	1.05
Orange	9.00am	3.15pm	1.15
Reception children – if you have older siblings please drop them at the green gate	8.50/9.00	3.00pm	1.00

Newsletters are available via the App, on the website, by clicking the text link or we will send it by email - if you give us your email address!

Uniform

Children are required to wear school uniform. By the end of the first week we will let you know what day your child has PE, on this day they should come to school in their PE kit (Joggers & trainers as they will be outside). Reception children will not need a PE kit.

Water Bottles

Children can bring a plastic water bottle into school but they must be taken home daily and washed.

Attendance

The most recent Government guidance states that all children should be back in school in September.

Parent contact

To limit the number of adults in school we will not be able to allow you into the office area. If you need to give us a message, please email or telephone. If you need to collect your child during the day you will need to wait outside front entrance door and telephone us and your child will be brought round.

You can use the office email or the class email to contact school or there is a contact form on the app.

Lunch

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will not need to bring a packed lunch as they will have a school lunch provided.

Junior children can order a school lunch or bring their own packed lunch. Packed lunches brought from home must be in a disposable bag. We ask that packed lunches are healthy – no chocolate bars or sweets please.

For the first few weeks, school meals will be a sandwich bag lunch, we hope to begin to provide a hot option once we have settled back in.

Lunch break will be reduced by 15 minutes to enable us to do the staggered start and end of the day.

Tuck

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will have access to fruit for a snack at breaktime.

They should not bring anything else in.

We will not be selling tuck at break for the juniors as we are not handling money in school.

Junior children can bring a HEALTHY snack for breaktime, a piece of fruit, bag of raisins or a cereal bar is ideal.

No chocolate bars or crisps will be allowed.

Class Bubbles

Children will be in class bubbles with the same adults. Social distancing for children is not expected in school and they will be allowed to sit next to another child. Adults are still required to keep a 2m distance from children as much as possible. The classroom will be organised in rows so that the children are all facing forwards and are not directly opposite any other child.

Handwashing

Children and adults are expected to maintain a regular handwashing routine in school. Each class has a sink or handwash station. Children must not bring hand gel into school.

FSM Vouchers

The Government voucher scheme will not continue in the Autumn term, Children eligible for FSM will have lunch in school.

Equipment

Children will have their own equipment in their space. They will not need to bring anything else into school so will not need a school bag other than a book bag or plastic folder.

Track and Trace

If you or your child needs to isolate on the advice of Track and Trace or if anyone in the household has symptoms please let us know as soon as possible and arrange a test.

If you have been to any of the countries requiring quarantine, please email us to let us know when your child will be allowed back to school.

Reading Books

Children will be allowed to bring reading books home from school. We will still be giving out 'Read It!' tickets for reading at home.

When books are brought back into school they will be placed in a 'quarantine' box for 72 hours before being used again.

Please help us keep everyone safe by following the guidance we are putting in place and reading the information we send out.

Whilst some of this is different to the way we usually operate, please be assured that the health and well-being of the children remains at the heart of everything we do. No one will have 'fallen behind' as we have all missed out on a section of the curriculum and staff have been working hard on revising the curriculum to make sure that nothing gets left out. We have an exciting 'Recovery Curriculum' planned in the first half term to help children settle back into school quickly.

Please do not hesitate to contact us by email at s.office@perryhallmat.co.uk or through the class emails if you have any questions or concerns

See you on Wednesday 2nd September