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We have finally reached the end of the most challenging year in the whole of my thirty two year teaching career. Never could we have predicted what has happened over the past six months when we began our school year back in September. A well-earned summer break is deserved by all!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support over the year and wish you all a happy and safe summer break, and look forward to welcoming all of our families back to our 'new normal' in September.

Judith Ward

Best Wishes to our Year Two Pupils

As we reach the end of term we say goodbye and good luck to all of our Year Two pupils who are moving to their new schools in September. Thank you to them all for being 'Superstars' and we look forward to hearing of their successes over the next year.

Family Information Service - Holiday clubs and activities and support over the holidays

As holiday clubs are not able to run in the typical way this year, the Family Information Service have put together a range of activities and clubs which are on offer throughout the holiday period.

Please contact them via:

fis@warwickshire.gov.uk

Twitter-@warksFIS

Facebook-Warwickshire Family Information Service

Phone- 01926 742274

They will be producing twice weekly newsletters for you to look at and find any information you need. Families in need of support and guidance can contact the service throughout the holidays.

Activities to do at home over the summer

The local Authority have put together a passport scheme of activities for the children to take part in over the summer break. These have been put together according to year group. Please see the attachments with this newsletter.

In addition, if you fancy having a go at some other fun activities have a look at:

<https://www.facebook.com/169984396514681/posts/1469139786599129/?d=n>

Arrangements for September Return to School

The arrangements for September are based on current government guidelines. These are due to be updated in August.

Children will return to school from Thursday 3rd September. They will need to go to their new classes which have been shared with you.

New Reception pupils have been notified of their class teacher and start dates and times for their child. Please watch the video clips posted on the website if you are unsure about where to go.

Attendance

All children will be expected to return to school in September. Proof from specialist medical advisors will be required if your child has any significant medical condition which will mean that they are unable to attend.

Risk Assessment

The school produced a robust risk assessment for the return to schooling in June which was endorsed by the Local authority. We are currently updating the document in line with the new government guidelines ready for the September return. A copy will be available on the website for parents to view ready for September.

Contact Details and Availability

As your child returns to school, please make sure that you let the school know of any changes to contact details or addresses. **It is essential that we can contact you or someone you have identified immediately in case of emergency.**

Staggered start and finish times

In order to support continued social distancing of our families we will continue to operate staggered start and finish times. Please make sure that you arrive at the correct time to avoid cross contamination of groups and families.

2DH and 1KG -8.55 to 3.05 2JD and 1JS - 9.05 to 3.15pm

Details about new Reception timings have been given directly to parents.

Uniform

Children will need to wear their school uniform from September. New uniform will be on sale in the school office from 1st September in the mornings only.

School Bags

Children can bring their book bag and PE bag only. **No rucksacks or other bags** will be allowed into school.

Drinks

Please make sure that you send your child with a named drinks bottle every day. We are unable to provide cups for pupils to drink from if they forget theirs.

Free School Meals

All children will be entitled to a free school meal on their return to school. Please let the school know if your circumstances have changed as you may now be eligible to receive extra funding which will enable your child to get extra support in school.

In order to reduce mixing class bubbles children will eat their lunch in the classroom for at least the first half term. We will be operating a deli bag menu during this time. Children will have the choice of cold sandwiches and wraps or warm fillings including burgers and fish finger sandwiches and Pizzas. More details about menus will follow.

Class Organisation - 'bubbles'

Classes will be organised into class 'bubbles'. This will ensure that your child stays with a consistent group of pupils and adults so that if any issues with infection arise, the groups can be easily traced and informed. Wherever possible, pupils will be encouraged to social distance, however, this is not always possible and is now not an expectation inside school. Pupils will not sit at large group tables. Each year group has its own allocated area in the school building and pupils will remain in this space throughout the day. This will include the playground area.

Class Resources

Pupils will be given their own set of resources which they use regularly such as pencils, crayons and pens.

Hand Washing

All pupils will be expected to wash their hands on entry to the school building. Handwashing is now a routine part of the day and children will do this at regular intervals whilst they are in school. This includes hand washing before and after eating lunch. Hand sanitiser may be used at lunchtime following the pupils eating their food. Please let us know if your child has any allergies to this product.

Cleaning

Deep cleaning with recommended products will take place at the end of each day. Staff will also be cleaning regularly touched surfaces such as tables and door handles throughout the day. Any resources shared across bubbles will be cleaned in between.

Toilets

Class bubbles have been allocated their own toilets for use.

Response to Infection

If your child or anyone else in your family shows any of the signs of the Covid infection (high temperature, new and persistent cough or loss of sense of smell or taste) then they should not come into school and you should immediately book a test.

Pupils will need to be sent home immediately if they display any of these symptoms. They will be removed from the class and kept in a separate place on their own until they are collected. You must arrange for a test immediately and isolate with the whole of your family until the test is done and you have the results. If someone tests positive, they must continue to self-isolate for at least seven days from the test result or until they are well. Other household members must self-isolate for fourteen days.

You must inform the school immediately of the outcomes of any tests so that any necessary action can be implemented immediately. School will need to notify Public Health England if anyone in the school community tests positive.

If you or your child have contact with someone who tests positive, then you must self-isolate for fourteen days. If you show any symptoms, then you must book a test.

Use of PPE

If a child presents with any of the symptoms of Covid, is physically sick or has a nosebleed, then staff will wear full PPE.

Curriculum

As pupils return to school staff will be working with the children to assessing their new starting points. There will be a strong focus on accelerating progress relating to key skills such as phonics, reading, writing and maths. Our skilled teachers will be planning to this in an age appropriate and fun way. We will be consulting with parents about pupils' experiences while they have not been in school and how they are feeling about their return. This will help them to plan appropriate support.

Pupil Well-Being

We will build on our school strengths to support pupil well-being as the children return. There will be a strong focus on personal, social and emotional support. Mrs Johnson, our learning mentor will be on hand to provide additional support to our families.

Behaviour

We have high expectations of behaviour for all of our pupils and have recently updated the school behaviour policy. Pupils have talked with us about how they want to feel in their school and what they expect from the policy. We will be sharing this with the pupils and yourselves as we return in September.

After School Clubs

We will not be able to run after school clubs as we are minimising contact of pupils and staff across the wider school community.

Holidays

If you have been lucky enough to travel abroad for your holiday this summer, please ensure that you have followed the correct procedures in terms of self- isolation. Some countries will not require any, whereas others will need 14 days isolation. Please note that if this affects your child's return to school, then we will not be able to authorise any such absences.

Other Staff in School

We will now be able to use our external staff who work in other schools. We look forward to Mr Legget and Mrs Smith joining us to teach some of our PE and music lessons. The school will keep a record of all visitors so that they can be traced if an issue arises.

Transport to School

Anyone using public transport to get to school must wear a face mask whilst they are travelling.

Community News - Bedworth Eagles

BEDWORTH EAGLES An FA Charter Standards Junior Football Club

Mini Soccer is re-starting on Saturday 25th July at our new Johnson Road Site

Currently next School Year 1 and Year 2 children only

The FA's Covid 19 guidelines will be followed and booking is essential
(No walk - in's accepted - advance booking only)

See the website <https://bedwortheagles.com>
For booking information and guidelines



Happy Holidays



Stay Safe

Important Diary Dates for Next Term

Day	Time	Activity
Thursday 3rd September	8.55 to 3.05 9.05 to 3.15pm Am and pm	School Starts 2DH and 1KG 2JD and 1JS Reception visits to school
Friday 23 rd October	3.15pm	Break up for half term
Monday 2 nd November	ALL DAY	SCHOOL CLOSED - TEACHER TRAINING
Tuesday 3 rd November	8.55am	Children back to school
Friday 18 th December	3.15pm	Break up for Christmas holiday
Tuesday 5 th January	8.55am	Children back to school

A more comprehensive list will follow at the beginning of next term

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