

Wood Ley Community Primary School

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Newsletter

Looking forward to September Reading Newsletter

We hope you enjoy the latest Reading Newsletter which contains some useful links to keep the children reading over the summer holidays. A huge thank you to Miss Kay for the library makeover. We are looking forward to seeing the children



enjoy using it in September. Miss Kay and Mr Grocott have managed to raise donations of over 120 books so far for the library.

Full Opening of Primary School in September

As previously communicated in my letters, the government guidance has stated that primary schools will open to all pupils on a **full time bases** in September. We are currently working hard to ensure of the relevant procedures are in place to make this a smooth as possible for the start of the term. We are looking forward to seeing all of the children on **September 3rd.** Please can we remind you that we need to apply the staggered start and end times for the school day as well as reinforcing drop off and pick up locations. I have attached a reminder to this newsletter. For our new foundation children due to start school in September, we are looking forward to seeing them on their transition visits before starting with us full time on 28th September.

Government Guidance:

Please find the link below to the latest government guidance for parents about the full opening of primary schools in September.

https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

Risk assessments and Safety Measures

I understand that some families might be concerned about the full opening of schools in September and I would like to try and reassure you that as a school we have followed the guidelines very carefully to maximise safety. A copy of the full risk assessment will be shared on the school website over the next few weeks. One of the measures we need to put in place is to introducing a one way system into and out of the school grounds. This will help to maximise social distancing. The school gate and pathway into school will be the entrance into school and like we did when the roof repairs were taking place, we would like everyone to leave safely through the car park gates. For safety reasons the car park will be closed to cars from 8.30am, please do not enter the school car park in a vehicle after this time. We will of course place signs around the school to support you.

Supporting Children and Their Families

A link which you may find useful if you or your family is experiencing difficulties:

A consultation helpline for emotional wellbeing and mental health issues relating to children and young people. https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/suffolk-children-and-young-peoples-emotional-wellbeing-hub/Call **0345 600 2090**, available Monday to Friday, 8am to 7:30pm.

Structure of the school day:

As there will be a significant increase in the number of children and their parents entering and leaving the school grounds we need to follow government guidelines and make this process as safe as we can. We have had to stagger the start and finish times as well as drop off and collection points for the start and end of the school days. Please can you leave the school grounds as quickly as possible.

Year Group:	Start Time:	Drop off location:	Finish Time:	Pick up location:
Year 5/ 6	8.30	Green gate	3.10	Green gate
Year 3/4	8.40	Main gate as usual	3.20	Zone C on playground
Year 1/2	8.50	Double gates beside the car park	3.10	Zone B on playground
Recep- tion	9.00	Double gates beside the car park	3.20	Zone A on playground

Arrival at school

There will be a member of staff on duty in the morning to welcome the children into school. We have initiated the staggered start times to limit the number of people on the school site at any one time. Please could you try and arrive at the allocated start time to ensure this safety measure works effectively. There are markings on the pathway into school to help with social distancing. Please can you ensure only 1 parent brings and collects children from school

School Term Dates: 2020 to 2021

Autumn Term

Tuesday 1st September 2020 - Friday 18th December 2020

(Half term - Monday 26th October 2020 to Friday 30th October 2020)

Spring Term

Monday 4th January 2021 – Friday 26th March 2021

(Half term – Monday 15th February 2021 to Friday 19th February 2021)

Summer Term

Monday 12th April 2021 - Tuesday 20th July 2021

(Half term - Monday 31st May 2021 (May Bank Holiday) to Friday 4th June 2021)

Non-pupil days or 'PD' days

Tuesday 1st September 2020 Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Monday 4th January 2021 Tuesday 5th January 2021

Monday 12th April 2021