



Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March

Dear parents/carers,

Wow! What a great week we have had so far. It is fantastic to have all of the children back at school. Our attendance figures this week have been really high with most children attending school every day. We hope that this continues to be the case – we want the children to be in school as much as possible.

We have been enjoying watching the children reconnect with their friends and it is fantastic to see them all working and playing together. The classroom atmospheres are warm and friendly, and productive. The children and adults are working hard. There are many smiling faces.

### Drop off/pick up timings

Please be reminded of the timings for the start and end of the day for your children. Please avoid arriving early in the mornings to prevent congestion on the pavements outside the school gate.

Bubble	Year group	Teacher	Start/Finish	Door
1	All children in F1/Little Herons	Mrs Clark	8:45 – 11:45 12:15 – 3:15 8:45 – 3:15	Little Herons
Only parents of children in Little Herons may use the back gate (off Bentwell Avenue) to enter and exit the site for drop offs. Parents must enter the site by this entrance <b>no later</b> than 8:50am for the morning drop-off.				
If you are late dropping for the morning session, you <b>must</b> use the main gate on Bonington Drive. If you arrive late to collect your child at 3:15, you <b>must</b> use the main gate on Bonington Drive.				
2	F2 children	Miss Pankhania, Mr Steele, Mrs Illet and Miss Green	8:50 – 3:15	F2 entrance
Parents of children in Bubble 2 can enter the school site via the side gate on Bonington Drive				
3	Y1/2	Mrs Harris	9:00 – 3:25	Playground door
4	Y1/2	Miss May/Mr Raven	9:00 – 3:25	Playground – near steps
5	Nest	Mrs Williams, Mrs Farrell & Mrs Whittaker	8:50 – 3:15	Reception/School office
6	Year 3	Mrs Taylor	8:50 – 3:15	Playground
7	Year 3/4	Mr Burton	8:50 – 3:15	Playground - steps
8	Year 4	Mr Raven/Mrs King	8:50 – 3:15	Playground – quiet area
9	Year 5	Mr Emsley	8:50 – 3:15	Bungalow
10	Year 5	Mrs Ross/Mrs Steel	9:00 – 3:25	Bungalow
11	Year 6	Mr Eggleston	9:00 – 3:25	Reception/School office

The main gate will be opened for children arriving for the 8:50 start at 8:45am. If your child is in a class which starts at 9:00, please do not arrive at the gate before 8:55am. If you have children in classes which start at different times, use the earliest drop-off time for both.

At the end of the day, please ensure that you maintain social distancing on the playground and move away from the school grounds via the one-way system as soon as you have collected your child.



## Car park – Bentwell Avenue

As previously requested, please do **not** park in this car park. This is for health and safety reasons. We request that you are respectful of our neighbours and avoid any congestion on Bentwell Avenue. Please do not block driveways or park on the pavements. At the end of the day we will be locking the car park gates for the safety of the large number of children and adults using this exit from school.

## Parent survey

We are in the process of evaluating our provision over lockdown.

We would value your feedback using this [survey](#).



If you would be able to take some time to answer some or all of the questions, we would be very grateful.

## Baby news!

Miss Wheeldon has had a baby boy. His name is Max.

Mrs Heathcote has had a baby girl. Her name is Zara.

Congratulations to both families. We are looking forward to seeing Miss Wheeldon and Mrs Heathcote and the babies when they are able to visit us in school.

## Helping your child become a better reader – top tip!

Turning on the subtitles while children are watching television can greatly improve their reading skills. A quick, simple, free way to make TV time, reading time. All you have to do is click the subtitles option at the bottom of the screen to turn on the subtitles. Have a look at this [website](#) to find out more.

To find out more please click on the link below to a short clip about this: [Turn on the subtitles clip](#)



At school we will be turning on the subtitles whenever we are watching something on the interactive whiteboard.

We hope you will be able to try this quick and easy tricky at home and your child will reap the rewards!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact use if there is anything that you wish to discuss or share.

Best wishes

Mrs Essex

