

Bishop Road Primary School

Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS



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Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Update Letter

Everyone at school has been greatly pleased to have completed our first full week of learning. I know many people have found the return to the routines of school both comforting in their familiarity but a little tiring having moved into a somewhat faster pace of life than before. The staff team are very mindful that children will take some time to build up their stamina at the early stages of the term but the teachers are pleased with the attitudes and effort across the school. Thank you for playing your part in making this return to school as positive as possible. Your patience, understanding and indeed compliance with the new arrangements is hugely supportive.

Reception children are entering their final transition week from Monday and will be moving to normal school hours by the end of next week. Their start to school has been very successful and the use of the nature garden has meant all four classes can come into school without coming through the main school one-way system at drop off. We would ask Reception families to be punctual at their specific group collection times on Monday to Wednesday next week.

This week Health and Safety and Road Safety Officers from the Local Authority visited school to discuss what further changes may be achievable around the school site at the busy drop off and collection times. I am pleased that there has been an agreement to appoint up to three new school crossing patrol staff which is a significant improvement and greatly needed since Mr Dale retired earlier in the year.

I have been advised that the Traffic Enforcement Team will be visiting school more frequently and we would ask that parents do not park illegally or in an unsafe way, particularly in light of the increase of children walking independently.

We will continue to monitor how the one way systems are working but would specifically ask that people observe social distancing at pick up and drop off times.



General reminders

- Children must have a coat in school every day
- Yr R,1 & 2 please remember to bring school uniform in their bag on the days they arrive wearing PE kits.
- A collection arrangement form is coming home today – please complete and return ASAP **to your class teacher**
- School meals commence Monday 21st September
- We are minimising paper communications where possible. When we require forms to be returned, please send them in with your child and avoid visiting the office unless you have a pre-booked appointment.

Flu Nasal Immunisation – 15th October

We have sent home the NHS Flu consent form today for all year groups. This form should be returned to your **child's class teacher** (not the office). Forms received after the 30th September will not be included in the school programme. The immunisation date is 15th October 2020.

School Crossing Patrol Vacancies

These are **three vacancies** for a school term time only role paid for ten hours, £9.30 per hour. Full training and uniform will be provided. You will need to be a good communicator with an ability and understanding of working with the general public. It may be that you would like to share this role with a friend, we are more than happy to consider any combination so please speak to friends and relatives to see if they would like a part-time role supporting the wider school community.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Frances Dansie on 07500120320 or by email frances.dansie@bristol.gov.uk

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Joe Emissah
Deputy Head Teacher

