Bishop Road Primary School

Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS



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Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Update Letter

As we reach the end of our first full week, it is wonderful to see how well established the children are with their new teachers and settled in to the routines of school life once again. A further welcome to new parents who have joined us with children in Reception this year. The start has been very smooth and everyone is looking forward to the classes being in for full days with school dinners from Monday.

The new climbing frame in the Grant Playground has proven a huge success with children in Year 3 & 4 and greatly enhanced the lunchtime experience for all the children. Thank you to the PTFA for investment in this project which has enabled this improvement to go ahead. Children from Year 2 upwards will be beginning regular visits to the library, which is such an important aspect of our school. Mrs Hatcher is eagerly anticipating their return, while teachers and children are pleased that the Story Garden and cookery room are also featuring on the timetable for different year groups.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all in to the Open Classrooms next Thursday 21st where you will be able to greet the teacher and have a look around the classroom. As usual, we ask that you wait in the playgrounds until about 3.45pm so we can ensure the teachers have got back to class, before entering the buildings.

Road Safety

We are appealing to parents and carers who drive their children to school, to take care and consideration when dropping their children off and collecting at the end of the day. All of the surrounding roads are heavily congested; we ask drivers to think about alternative places they may be able to leave their car and walk down to the school at these busy times. We have requested an increased presence of traffic enforcement officers in the coming weeks, and remind parents and carers that the yellow lines are there to protect children.















Other reminders:

- Attendance is key factor in children's educational development. Arriving to school each day on time and ready to learn is important and we encourage families to ensure the positive start to the year is maintained. We continue to work with the Local Authority Educational Welfare Officer to address poor attendance. Our attendance policy can be <u>found here</u>.
- After school clubs will be running from the beginning of Term 2 this year, with further information being issued in the coming weeks.
- Please remember to complete your nasal flu consent that was sent out at the beginning of term. Please contact the office if you did not receive this email.

Thank you for your ongoing support. I look forward to seeing many of you in school next Thursday.

Yours sincerely,

Joe Emissah

Deputy Head













