

Overfields Primary School
Newsletter 1 Autumn 2021
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Welcome back everyone to, what we hope, will be a busy year for all our pupils IN school. It has been lovely to visit the children in their classrooms this morning, looking smart in their uniforms and sat at grouped tables, sharing books and resources. It feels like the school we know and love again! We have planned our curriculum provision to be as 'normal' as we can with all subjects now being taught including music and singing and staff are looking forward to planning events and visits in the coming months.

Teachers will be sending out an Autumn term class newsletter in the coming week which will give you details about your child's new year group, topics for this term, expectations and routines and PE days.



We will keep our risks assessments and procedures updated and published on our website and we will continue to use social media (website, emails, Twitter & Marvellous Me) as our main way of communicating with you so please let us know if your contact details or email change. Teachers will be using the class emails system for any information or contact they need to make with you and we would encourage you to continue to use the class and/or school email to contact us.



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Next week we will be introducing a new rewards system to the children across school in assemblies. This is based around *Aspiration* and will replace our Pride Points and team points systems. We will send out further information for our families about it in the coming weeks.

Attendance

The usual rules of school attendance will apply from September, in that it is: '*a parents' duty to ensure that their child attends school regularly.*' A small number of pupils will be unable to attend in line with public health advice because they have had symptoms and a positive PCR test and are self isolating for 10 days or are waiting for the results of a PCR test after being identified as a close contact. Where this is the case, school will offer short-term home learning.



We have emailed out and sent through Marvellous Me a very useful DFE information leaflet about what the expectations on schools are now. We will also send out 1 copy to families tomorrow for your reference.

Please remember to contact the school office 01642 314548 as soon as possible to inform us of the reason for absence if your child is off school.

Please remember we have a Breakfast Club. Pupils can be dropped off between 7.45am-8.30am for £2 a day with breakfast served. Further information is available from the office.

SCHOOL MEALS Please remember that all pupils in Reception to Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal each day, This does not depend on if you are in receipt of benefits. However school do receive additional funding for children entitled to free school meals so please come to the office and complete the forms if you think you may be entitled to this.

The cost of a school meal for Key Stage 2 pupils is £2.25 a day/ £11.25 per week.

Packed lunches As a healthy school we encourage healthy packed lunches - this means that fizzy drinks and chocolate bars/ sweets / fruit winders are not permitted. Thank you.

Please ensure you inform us of any updates or changes to your child's medical or dietary needs.

Any inhalers need to be brought to the school office so that a form can be signed. Asthmatic children need to have a copy of their asthma plan in school which can be obtained from your GP. School can only administer medicine which is prescribed for 4 times a day.



If children have to be brought to school in cars can parents please use the car parks (behind the Community Centre & at the shops) when dropping off / collecting children. Please be considerate of the residents on Daisy Lane & Poppy Close and their need to access their own drives.

Unfortunately our bike /scooter storage is unavailable at the moment for bikes and scooters to be stored during the day.