



Bournebrook

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(Voluntary Controlled) **Primary School**

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Dear New Year One Parents,

I hope you and your families continue to be well.

We look forward to welcoming your child to Year One. Following the issue of Government guidelines last week, we are able to share with you Bournebrook's arrangements for September. We are acutely aware that your child has not completed a full year in Reception and that they will not be ready to embark on year one as normal. With this in mind, we have planned the following transition:

Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September – not in school (to allow new Reception parents to visit)

Week beginning 7th September – your child will spend the week in Cherry, with their teachers from last year. **Drop off 9.00am at Cherry glass door** (see map overleaf), **collection at 3.15pm at the same place**. We ask that just one parent brings your child to school, arrives via the churchyard gate (see map overleaf) and waits socially distanced at the glass side door to Cherry. Mrs Pemble will collect your child from the glass door. We politely ask that parents social distance on the playground and paths and arrive on time as other groups of children are arriving at staggered times. If you have older siblings, please bring them to this entrance at the same time. All Nursery and Reception staff will be working with your child, to ensure they are happy and well and to get them used to being back in school.

Week beginning 14th September – your child will be in a new Elm room (previously Willow – the classroom nearest to the office). Miss Davies is their class teacher, but they will also be accompanied by Mrs Pemble all morning and Mrs Maunder all afternoon. We have changed rooms for Elm class to enable more Early Years provision to go on. Mrs Pemble and Miss Davies have been, and will continue to closely liaise to ensure good continuity. We will not embark on the Y1 curriculum until your child is ready to do so. **Drop off at 9.00am at Cherry glass door, collection at 3.15pm at NEW ENTRANCE (SEE BELOW).**

Week beginning Monday 21st September – as for week beginning 14th September

Week beginning Monday 28th September and subsequent weeks – Drop off with Miss Davies and Elm – PLEASE NOTE, NEW ENTRANCE – use pathway off Coventry Road immediately next to church, follow path to small wooden picket gate at side of school (beside gardening club area) – Please wait socially distanced with your child here until Miss Davies collects you. If you have older siblings, bring them to this entrance at the same time.

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Further information for Year One parents

During the Day

While in school, your child will be in a “bubble” with other children from Elm and Willow class. All Government guidelines regarding cleanliness and adult social distancing will be followed and we endeavour to make the setting as safe as possible. However, social distancing between small children is impossible and Government guidelines acknowledge this. Children will be handwashing frequently and we ask that you teach your child to wash their hands properly over the summer. The following clip helps:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9VjeIWLnEg>

Following Government Advice

It is imperative that families follow the most up to date advice if any family member shows symptoms and lets school know immediately.

Supporting Well-being

We aim to always support our children’s well-being. Staff will be mindful of the situation children have been in for the last few months. We ask that you inform us of any particular circumstance that has impacted on your family, for example bereavement, so we can best support your child.

Belongings

Children should bring a named coat and a named, filled water bottle to school (water, no other drinks please). Named PE kits can be brought into school and left in school for the week. This should include shorts / t-shirt / trainers or pumps and joggers or leggings when the weather gets colder. Children may also bring a book bag and packed lunch where appropriate. No other bags or pencil cases in school please – children will be provided with a wallet of stationery for their own personal use.

Help us to Stay Safe too!

While we are doing our best to protect your child at this difficult period, **we ask that you do the same for us.** We expect all families using Bournebrook to adhere to current social distancing guidelines at all times when out of school. It would be unfair to ask us to care for your child if this has not been happening.

Finally, please remember your child will be in a safe, nurturing environment. Our Early Years and year one staff care for the children they look after and will tend to their needs, whatever they are despite the current situation. No child will be left without a caring arm when hurt or upset and the needs of our new year one children are a real priority to us.

Thank you for your support.

Alison Patchett and the Bournebrook Team

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