

Burlington Infants School



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Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

Here is the final newsletter before we break up for the summer holidays, after what has got to have been one of the strangest and most unprecedented years I have ever known at Burlington Infants. I would like to thank you all for your support and kindness throughout the lockdown period. To staff and governors who have worked so flexibly and collaboratively in challenging times, to parents and carers who have had to balance home life with home learning and to our children who, with just a smile, make us remember what is truly important. Thank you!

Annual Reports and Starting School Packs

If you have not yet collected your child's report or starting school pack, please call in at the school office before the end of term. Information about starting school is also now available on our school website at <https://burlingtoninfants.org.uk/starting-school/>

Learning Journals

If any Reception parents or carers would like their child's Learning Journey emailing to them, please contact the school office and we will arrange this.

Safeguarding Building Projects

During the summer holidays, the fencing around our playground will be replaced and controlled access gates will be installed. The pathway to the main entrance will be fenced off from the playground and there will be a new slope to the blue playground, to help ease congestion at the start and end of the day. The path at the back of the school to the field will also be resurfaced. These changes will help to improve our site security and safeguarding arrangements.

September Arrangements

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Wednesday 9th September**. We will be arranging for children currently in Reception and Year 1 to return to school to their current class teacher for the first 3 days.

In line with government guidance, we will be implementing staggered start and finish times to the school day in order to restrict the number of parents and children on the school playground at any one time. The arrangements for **Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th, Friday 11th September** will be as follows;



Reception Classes	Start Time	Finish Time	Entrance/Exit
Flags Class (Miss McConville)	8.45am	3.00pm	Dolphin Classroom Door
Seahorse Class (Miss Sygrove)	9.00am	3.10pm	New slope to Blue Playground
Seashells Class (Miss Newby)	9.15am	3.20pm	Old slope to Blue Playground

Year One Classes	Start Time	Finish Time	Entrance/Exit
Jellyfish Class (Mrs Scrymgeour)	8.45 am	3.00pm	Parent Shelter Area
Dolphin Class (Mrs Roberts/Mrs Pollard)	9.00 am	3.10 pm	Dolphin Classroom Door
Starfish Class (Mrs Keogh)	9.15 am	3.20 pm	Parent Shelter Area

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, Year 2 children will be transferring to the Junior School in September but their current class teachers will be available to meet them at the Junior School on their first day to help settle them in. Details for the first 3 days are as follows:

Class	Start Time	Finish Time	Entrance/Exit
Class 1 - Ms Sutton (Lighthouse Class)	9.10am	3.30pm	In through the Junior School top gate - opposite Year 3 Annexe
Class 2 - Mr Norman (Seagulls Class)	9.15am	3.35pm	
Class 3 - Miss Campleman (Puffin Class)	9.20am	3.40pm	Exit via Junior School lower gate

In order to ensure a safe return for both staff and pupils we ask that you kindly adhere to the following:

- Please do not arrive too early to drop off or collect your child.
- When you arrive, please wait in your child's class designated waiting area, using the social distance markings.
- We are asking that only one adult brings and collects each child and that children **stay** with their adult at all times.
- Staff will meet children and take them into school. Parents and carers should not enter the building.
- At the end of the day, staff will bring your child to meet you outside.
- If you need to speak to a member of staff, you can do this briefly outdoors. All other contact must be by telephone or email and any other visits to school by appointment only.
- Please use the intercom for the Office and the 'Drop box' in the foyer for letters/post etc.
- There will be no toilet facilities available for parents/carers to use.
- Please use the gates on Pinfold Lane to access our school and **not** the Junior School playground.



Other Useful Information:

- Children will be kept in their separate class bubbles as much as possible but, at times during the week, may be part of a year group bubble.
- There will be staggered break and lunch times, with hot dinners being available.
- All pupils are expected to wear their school uniform.
- School will provide each child with their own equipment to use in school.
- Children will continue to be provided with fruit each day but will need to bring a named, filled water bottle each day.
- Assemblies will take place in each classroom. Unfortunately, we will be unable to have the Friday Family Assemblies for the foreseeable future.
- We are unable to provide Breakfast Club as, at present, we are unable to 'mix bubbles' with the Junior School. We will be seeking further guidance on this.

In September, we will be providing a range of opportunities to support and enhance the well-being of all our children. Many of our children will be feeling nervous, out of the school routine and in need of extra emotional support. There may be gaps in the children's knowledge and skills so we will work hard to identify these gaps and provide learning opportunities to address these. Any areas missed over the last few months will be incorporated into our future planning.

Please be assured that we will do all we can to ensure that the return to school is as safe and smooth as possible. We will be continuing with our increased hygiene measures and vigorous cleaning regime. These have worked extremely well and kept us all safe throughout the lockdown period. Please note, if there are any changes to government guidance during the summer holidays then we will inform you as soon as possible. Our first priority, as ever, is the safety of our children, staff and families. If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact the school, via email at: burlington.infants@eastriding.gov.uk or Telephone; 01262 673858.

Attendance

Congratulations to the **24** children who achieved 100% attendance prior to lockdown. We will be posting home certificates for these children, with special attendance badges.

Y2 Farewell

Farewell to all our wonderful Year 2 children moving on to the Junior School in September. We are so very proud of each and every one of you and we know how difficult this year has been for you. Please check our school website and Facebook page for a special 'Year 2 Leaver's Video' which we have made for you to enjoy with your family and friends. We wish you all the very best of luck and happiness in the years ahead. And, finally, I would like to thank everyone for your support and understanding during this difficult year. Enjoy the summer holidays everyone, take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,



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