

14<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

### **End of Term letter**

As we approach the end of the summer term, I would like to thank you all for your wonderful support both towards school and your children through this unprecedented time. The stresses and strains brought about through uncertain times have taken their toll on us all but we have all faced these new challenges together and shown a great Beech spirit.

I'm sure you are all aware that last week the government announced that schools will reopen fully in September, we have received the guidelines and are in the process of planning our return. Please rest assured that we will be putting everything possible in place to minimise risk to any members of the Beech Community.

This planning will continue over the next couple of weeks as all risk assessments are put in place. All children will operate in whole class 'bubbles' exactly the same as we have been doing over the last six weeks. For those children who have not been in school since March, it may seem a little strange at first, but I know that you will soon adapt to the new way of working and it will quickly become our new normal.

Below are some initial points you will need to be aware of when we start back at school in September.

- Start and finish times will continue to be staggered and will run as follows. Please stick to your child's time to avoid a cross over with other bubbles.

**Reception** (Tiny Bees Miss Wagner) **Start time 8.30am** via the large gates at the front of school. Parents will be allowed to accompany their child to the classroom door for the first half term. **Finish time 3.00pm.**

**Y1/2** (Sunbeams Mrs Claxton) **Start time 8.40am** via the pedestrian gate at the front of school. Parents will be asked to leave their child at the gate. **Finish time 3.10pm.**

**Y3/4** (Tiger Lilies Mrs Wise) **Start time 9.00am** via the pedestrian gate at the front of school. Parents will be asked to leave their child at the gate. **Finish time 3.30pm.**

**Y4/5** (Stargazers Miss Edgar) **Start time 8.50am** via the pedestrian gate at the front of school. Parents will be asked to leave their child at the gate. **Finish time 3.20pm.**

**Y5/6** (Matrix Miss Malone) **Start time 9.00am** via the large gates at the front of school. Parents will be asked to leave their child at the gate. **Finish time 3.30pm.**

**The school gates will be closed at all other times.**



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- **Breakfast Club** will only be on offer to those children where all parents in their household need to be at work by 9.00am. You will have received a text confirming your place. Breakfast Club will start at 7.45am and entry will be through the reception class gate only.
- **Milk** will be provided from the second week back. **Please return the form and payment were required by Friday 11th September 2020.**
- **Water Bottles** should be filled with water and sent in to school from home, please do not send juice. Your child's water bottle will be returned home at the end of everyday to be cleaned and sent back in to school the following day.
- **Tuck Shop** will not be taking place for at least the first half term. If you would like to send your child with a snack of fruit/vegetables, raisins or fruit juice for break time you are more than welcome to do so. Any unhealthy snacks of crisps, biscuits or chocolate will not be allowed to be eaten and returned home the same day.
- **Lunchtimes** will be had in 'bubbles'. Reception and KS1 children will eat in the hall on separate sittings with cleaning between sittings. KS2 will continue to eat in their classrooms. Each class will have their own outdoor space.
- **Uniform** should be worn every day, but **on PE days children should come dressed in their school PE kit.** No other sports kit will be allowed to be worn.
- **Holidays** If you decide to take a holiday abroad, to a destination that requires quarantining on return, and this happens in the last week or two of the holidays, the subsequent absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

We will keep you informed of any after school clubs we may be able to run when we come back in September. These will be run by your child's class teacher in their bubble.

Other changes that will happen from September:

- Miss Heaversedge will be our Administration Manager from September covering maternity leave for Miss Chapman. She will still be spending some time at Lily Park, but will not be here every day and we wish her lots of luck in her new role. We welcome Mrs Pyrah who will be our new Senior Admin Officer until Miss Heaversedge returns.
- Mr Quinn will be returning as Head of School and will he lead across Woodside Green (previously Cowlersley Primary) and Lily Park.
- **Our phone number will be changing in September to 01484 505228.**

I realise that you may have questions to ask about your child returning to school in September and ask that you either ring the school office on 01484 463366 (option 5) or contact me directly on Class Dojo and where we will try our very best to help.

I hope you all have a fantastic summer.

Yours sincerely

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