

# *Byerley Park Primary School Newsletter*

## *Issue 16*

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### **Stop Press....Stop Press....Stop Press.....**

If your child is a football fan and likely to be staying up late on Sunday to watch the Final, we have agreed that they may come to school on Monday at **10am**, to allow them to have a little bit of a lie in.

However, the school gates will still be open from 8.45am – 9am for children who will be attending school as normal.

If your child will be in late, the gates will be re-opened between 10am – 10.15am. They will not receive a late mark on this day if they arrive between these times.

If your child is ill, it is important that you ring school before 9.30am to let us know the reason for their absence and we won't be expecting them in at 10am.

This will be our final newsletter of this academic year. In it, we would like to say farewell to all of our Y6 pupils who are moving on to the next step in their education. We wish you all the very best for the future.

### **Staff News**

Teaching staff for the next Academic Year will be as follows:

	<b>Class Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b>
Reception Class	Mrs Bowes	Mrs North/Mrs Dunn/Mrs Smith
Year 1	Mrs Reed (Mon/Tue/Wed am) Mrs Tyrell (Wed pm/Thur/Fri)	Mrs K. Wilson
Year 2	Mrs Dunn	Mrs J. Wilson/Miss Whitworth
Year 3	Mrs Blakey	Mrs Potts
Year 4	Mrs Plumb	Mr North/Mrs Dobinson
Year 5	Mrs Watts	Mrs Robinson
Year 6	Mr Everson	Mrs Wimbury
PPA Cover	Mr Gargan	

### **School Reports and attendance**

Reports will be sent out with children on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. We will include details of your child's attendance within the report. This attendance figure excludes any absences due to national lockdown restrictions.

A minimum target of 96% for each pupil has been set by Durham County Council, but within our school, we do strive to achieve higher than this.

Attendance certificates will be awarded at the end of the summer term to pupils who have 100% attendance since Easter. Normally, we also issue certificates to pupils who have attained 100% for the whole school year, however, due to the impact of the pandemic on school attendance, we will not be doing this for the academic year 20-21.

We will reinstate this from September, when we start the new school year.

### Considerate and safe car parking when dropping off/picking up children

Please could I once again remind Parents and other adults who are dropping off and picking up children from school to bear in mind the Highway Code and refrain from parking either illegally or inconsiderately to other road users, pedestrians and residents of the houses near school.

Please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines outside of school. In addition to the zig-zag lines, there are 'no-stopping' signs displayed which means that you are not allowed to park here under any circumstances from Mon-Friday between the hours of 8am-6pm.

Can drivers also be aware of where they are dropping off children so that they are safe and not in danger of being knocked over by other vehicles? For example, some children are being dropped from vehicles in or opposite the junction of the school car park and are walking/running directly into the path of traffic!

**Vandalism** to school premises over the summer holidays tends to increase. Although we have fencing around our perimeter, we do know that some people still try to get in to the school grounds. We would be very grateful if any parent who sees people on the grounds, causing a nuisance, ring the Police on 101. With your help we may keep it to a minimum.

### Breakfast Club

We have assigned the Breakfast Club payment item to those parents who have returned a signed 'before school registration form'. Bookings can now be made via Parentpay to book your child into the Breakfast Club, which opens on September 6<sup>th</sup>.

If you need any assistance with this, please contact the School Office and Mrs Vincent or Mrs Mason will do all they can to help you.

### Revised procedures from September

As you may have already heard in the news, from 19<sup>th</sup> July, the Government no longer recommend that it is necessary to keep children in bubbles. However, as we break up the day after, we will continue with our current procedures until the end of term.

I will send out more detailed information next week about the revised procedures that will take effect when we return in September.

We are coming to the end of a very busy but enjoyable summer term. We hope you all have a pleasant summer break and look forward to pupils starting the new school year on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**. Remember that we will be back to our traditional school uniform (grey trousers/skirt/pinafore, blue shirt/blouse and tie with blue sweatshirt or cardigan). Proper black school shoes please, no trainers or boots.

Whilst we encourage individuality, we expect pupils to come to school with a suitable hairstyle and not, for example, wearing a lot of gel, tram lines, rats tails or extreme haircuts. Please keep these styles for the holidays.