

# Bredhurst Church of England Primary School

## Parents as Partners

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## Newsletter 17.07.20

Dear Parents,

This is the last newsletter of the academic year as we have already reached the final full week of school. I cannot believe that the time has gone past so quickly– it seems we have only just got our school back together as a community and we are all off again for the Summer break.

Our year 6 children will be leaving us on Tuesday as they enter the next phase of their learning journeys and begin their secondary education. We hope that each and every one of them grasps every opportunity at their new schools with both hands and makes the most of their time there. As all the parents of the year 6 will agree – it goes too quickly and before you know it the children are fully fledged and independent. Year 6 – you have been brave, faced adversity, you have been challenged in more ways than the usual SATS testing. You have shown resilience, patience and courage- hold on to those attributes and use them when life leads you down an unexpected path, as it has a habit of doing. You will be sorely missed by all of the school but will always remain in our hearts. Think back on us with fond memories and go off and show the world what you are all about. Be you! Have a wonderful Summer and look forward to the next part your journeys.

**Year 6** may bring in a spare shirt for signing on **Monday**. They will not be allowed to have the shirt they are wearing signed – it must be a different shirt to the one they are wearing. They must wear school uniform for the leaver's Service, but do NOT need to wear their ties.

For those parents who require a place at breakfast club for their child, please do remember to fill in a breakfast club form. These places are limited and are filling up quickly. If you have not received a confirmation slip regarding breakfast club then your child does not currently have a place booked – if you think you have handed in this slip and have not had a reply please check with the school office on: [office@bredhurst.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@bredhurst.kent.sch.uk)

If you would like your child to attend the After School Club provided by Mary Gough, she will be collecting the children at the time they finish school and will wait on the field for each child. Registration forms will be handed out on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July to those children who have booked places. It would help if parents could complete the forms ready for their child's 1st session. To book a place at the After School Club please contact Mary on: 07525749802

The guidance for After School Clubs is different to the guidance for schools, although the advice is as far as it is possible that groups should not be mixing within the setting itself. More the guidance can be found on: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

Mary Gough will also be running a Summer Holiday Club including arts and crafts, music and dance and sports activities. The club will operate between 9 and 1. For further information please contact Mary on: 07525749802 or email: marygough6@hotmail.com

### **Reminder for the return of the whole school in September:**

- Children will be required to wear school uniform, including **black** school shoes or **black** trainers
- Children will be required to wear PE kit on their PE day
- Children will remain within their class bubbles as much as is possible
- Children will be reminded of social distancing

- Children will be seated in rows facing the class teacher in pairs
- Parents will continue to drop off and collect on the back playground/classroom doors and leave the school via the front gate
- The children will line up on the playground until their class TA comes to collect them
- Children will be asked to wash their hands upon their arrival at school and regularly throughout the school day
- Celebration worship will recommence for the children via a remote platform
- Children will not be required to wear slippers in school
- Each class bubble will use different toilets
- Each child will be given their own-labelled set of equipment, which will remain in school
- The corridors will be one way
- The cleaning schedule in the school will be increased
- No hot meals for Term 1
- Children are asked not to bring in bags

Class	Arrival Time	Collection Time	PE day
Oakwood	8.40 – 8.50	2.40 – 2.50	Tuesday
Kemsley	8.50 – 9.00	2.50 – 3.00	Thursday
Forge	8.50 – 9.00	2.50 – 3.00	Wednesday
Hurstwood	9.00 – 9.10	3.00 – 3.10	Friday
Fir Tree	9.00 – 9.10	3.00 – 3.10	Wednesday

The children will **NOT** be expected to return to school in their PE kits for the first week back. **PE will begin on the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> September.**

If you would like to continue to support your child over the Summer break with their learning then do have a look at bbc home schooling or oak national academy– where the lessons and activities are broken down into year groups. There are some great resources and videos clips on both of these sites.

The **Library Summer Reading Challenge** ‘Silly Squad’ is an online reading challenge this year. Look at the Pupil page on our School Website to find out more.

#### **Medication:**

If your child has any medication in school, can you please ensure that it is collected **by Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.**

Medicines such as inhalers will be sent home with your child on their last day.

Any other school held medicine will need to be collected from the school office.

Should your child require medicines in school next term you will need to return them, again via the school office, with a new permission form in September.

No medicines should be placed in school bags and enter the school through the classrooms.

If your child currently has a healthcare plan in school for any medical issue, please download a new copy of the form from the website and complete it ready for September.

We have copies in the office and can send them home next week if you make a request to the office.

These **MUST** be updated each year so we are up to date with your child's condition and the processes we need to follow if there is an emergency situation for your child.

This includes asthma, any allergies and physical needs.

#### **Don't forget:**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Year 6 Leaver's Service @11.00 a.m. on the school field. **There will be no afternoon session for the years 2, 3 and 4 but they may attend the Leaver's Service with you should you wish to bring them to this. Children in years R, 1, 5 and 6 will attend their morning session as usual and attend the service before going home.** The collection time for **all children,**

**including key workers, will be approx. 12.30** unless you would like to stay and have a socially distanced picnic on the school field with your child.

**The school will be closed to all children, including key workers, over the entire Summer break – from Wednesday 22nd July – Tuesday 1st September, with the children returning on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.****

Thank you to the FOBS team, who organised both the Father's Day Gift Sale and the Book Sale. These two events raised: Fathers' Day £258.50 and Book Sale £230.84, amounting to an impressive £489.34! Not quite our May Day amount but still a great sum raised.

A special mention needs to go to our year 6 parents. They have been a brilliant group of parents who have both supported and run several of the FOBS events. They have been instrumental in raising thousands of pounds for the children of our school and will all be missed. A special mention must go to Mrs Sullivan – who we will be losing as chair at the beginning of next term. Mrs Sullivan has been an incredible force; leading the team to become even more successful. She has tirelessly given up so much of her time and energy into supporting our school. Her organisational skills have been second to none. She will be deeply missed. Mrs Hegley, Mrs Smith, Mrs Ridden, Mr Sullivan and Mrs Waller must also be mentioned for their hard work. Mrs Hegley has proved herself to be the best person for sniffing out a bargain! They will leave a hole when they all leave. The AGM will be held in the beginning of September; we are always looking for more people to support and join the team.

Finally, I would like to say a personal thank you for the support, empathy and understanding that you have shown to both myself and my staff during this very challenging time. You have embraced the home learning, which hasn't always been easy (although I'm certain we now have some budding teachers out there!) You have embraced all the changes and have adapted to them so quickly, supporting the school throughout this very difficult period of transition. Your support really does mean so much to us all, it shows the strength and character of our school both as a community and within the community.

I am looking forward to when we can return as one school in September. Until then have a wonderful, restful, safe Summer break. Enjoy the rest – you have all more than earned it this year!

Mrs Michelle Cox