

WELCOME

As well as the children mentioned in the last letter are delighted to have recently welcomed to school Anabel in Year 2, Harry and Mateo in Year 1 and Oscar in Year 3. We look forward to welcoming Rueben to Year 4 on Monday. We hope they are all very happy at Watermore.

WALK TO SCHOOL SCHEME

The Walk to School scheme has now begun. This is a challenge to encourage children to use 'Active Travel' to get to school (walking, scooting or cycling.) The children earn a badge each month if they have used Active Travel three or more times every week. You should already have received a Park and Stride map, showing clearly where you can park your car in order to give your children the opportunity of between 5 and 10 minutes walking to school. This also counts towards the badge - although parking outside the deli doesn't count - that's too close!



PARENTS' CONSULTATIONS

We normally hold meetings with parents and carers in November to discuss your child's progress. As we won't be able to hold face to face visits this term, we will send you after half term a brief report about your child, outlining their key achievements and targets for next learning. We will also offer you the chance to speak to their teacher, either via a phone call or a Teams meeting online. If you want to discuss anything before this time, please email the teacher or give us a call. We don't want a worry to grow until November.

As we have children with



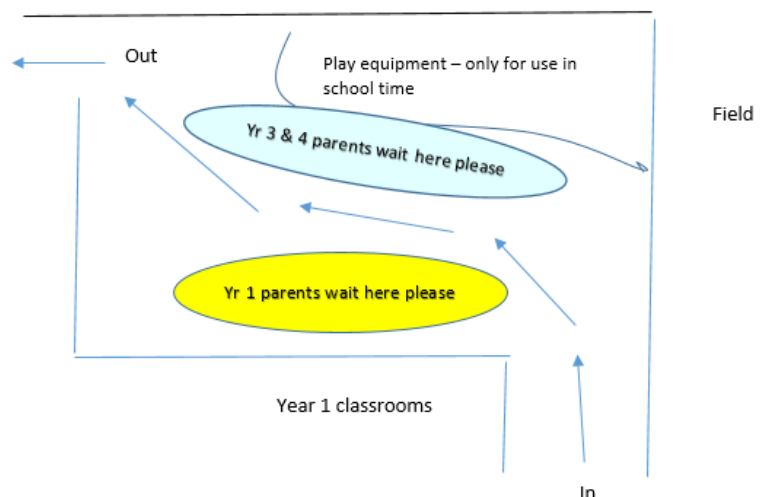
serious nut allergies, please remember never to send in any snack or lunch items containing nut products in any form. Thank you.

AVOIDING CONGESTION AROUND SCHOOL

Thanks again for sticking to our new regime for arriving and leaving school. We'd like to remind you that we have asked for just one parent or carer to bring / collect your child to reduce the numbers of people on site. A few further suggestions to help people to feel safe:

- If you feel safer wearing a mask please do so, and be understanding of why others chose to do this.
- Please make sure that you arrive at the right time (not before 8.45am or 3.00pm).
- If you do find you have arrived a little early for your slot, and you have a child in Years 1, 3 or 4, please wait until it is your time in the large playground at the front away from the school, where there is more space to socially distance. However, this is not a time for your child to be running around the playground!
- The playground outside the year 1 classes is a particularly busy spot, but we can't think of an alternative better way of organising things. So have a look at the plan below and please, as much as you can, wait in the areas specified leaving room for others to walk through the middle.

Waiting in the infant playground



Thank you for your help with this.

SELF ISOLATION OF A YEAR GROUP BUBBLE

Some parents have asked why the school decided to send home the Year 5 group. We would like to reinforce that this was not the school's decision, but was required by the DFE guidance. The DFE Coronavirus Helpline has today confirmed to us that self-isolation is a legal requirement, not an option.

