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NEWSLETTER 12 - 08.02.2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I am pleased to say that for the first time in several weeks there are no pupils at home with Covid today! Fingers crossed this improvement continues and the children will be able to come to school without interruption. Please continue to be very mindful of the wide range of symptoms which I texted about and keep testing when you are concerned.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP ROUTINES FOR AFTER HALF TERM

As life gets back to a little bit more normal and restrictions have been lifted we have decided to change our routines back to the old ones from half term onwards. I am aware that many of you may not have done these before, it's been a long time so please read the information below:

Morning drop off -

- the school gate will open automatically at 8.40am and you and your child are welcome to come into school and wait on the playground.
- The children can use the playground but must not enter the nursery outdoor area. Children are parent's responsibility at this time, we are not insured for the children to use the outdoor equipment.
- Adults must wait with their children until the bell goes - we are not responsible for the children until the bell goes, eg. the gate will probably be open so you must supervise your child.
- Mrs Cook will come out onto the playground and at 8.50am the bell will ring and the children will line up in front of their teacher (near their classroom door) who will come onto the playground at 8.45am so you can speak to them if necessary.
- Nursery parents will need to wait outside the wall and Mrs Babenko will open the gate for the children to go into class at 8.50am.
- The gate will lock automatically at 8.50am and after that time your child will be considered late. If you are late arriving at school please take your child to reception.

12.30 Afternoon Nursery Drop Off -

- Please continue to follow your normal routine.

Afternoon pick up -

- The gate will open automatically at 3.15pm and parents/carers are welcome to come onto the playground and wait for the children to be sent out to them by the teacher at 3.20pm.
- Nursery parents/carers please wait outside the nursery gate.
- Please ensure that you arrive at 3.20pm or your child will be taken to reception to wait for you.

To increase safety we will no longer be using the car park gate, this will mean that parents and children are not walking through the car park, and will be safer. The only access into and out of the playground will be via the gate near the entrance area. PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE CARPARK.

This will mean that the school day will go back to the official times of 8.50am - 3.20pm. We continue to encourage you to ask your child to sanitise/wash their hands before coming to school but we will remove the sanitisers to speed up the process of coming into school.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Borre has taken photographs of all individual children and sibling groups today and these will be on sale after half term. Please place your orders by Friday 4th March at the latest. Order forms go directly to Borre so please ensure that envelopes have the correct money already in them when you bring them into school.

PARENTS EVENING

These will be held face to face on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th March for Nursery, Oak and Rowan Classes and for Willow Class on Wednesday 16th March and Thursday 17th March. Signing up sheets will go up on the 7th March.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 3th March is World Book Day so we are asking all children (and staff!!) to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We are looking forward to seeing some fantastic outfits but are very happy for you to be creative and use what you have at home or equally for your child to come in non-uniform if they are not a fan of dressing up.

DIARY DATES

Thursday 10 th February	Valentines Disco - see letter
Thursday 10 th February	I Love You Day - Acorns (Nursery) - see emailed letter
Friday 11 th February	I Love You Day - Oak, Willow and Rowan - see emailed letter
Friday 11 th February	Willow and Rowan visit to Torworth Gym - PM
Friday 11 th February	Break-up for half term
Monday 21 st February	First day back at school
Monday 21 st February	First swimming session for Rowan class (Year 2)
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day
Wednesday 9 th March	Oak and Acorns (Nursery) Sam's Safari in school
15 th , 16 th & 17 th March	Parents Evenings
Week commencing 21 st March	Baby chicks arriving in school
Friday 1 st April	Break-up for Easter Holidays
Tuesday 19 th April	First day back at school after holidays

We are looking forward to seeing you all in school on I Love You Day and at the discos. I am sure these events will make for an exciting end to this half term.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please come and speak to me.

Kind regards

Mrs Cook
Head Teacher