



Dear Parents,

I hope that you and your families are all well and have had a good break to date.

I shall keep this letter brief as I am conscious of trespassing on your holidays, but as promised before the break, this letter is to share the plan for the coming months.

As I am sure you are aware, we will be facing additional challenges in the Autumn Term (and beyond) which include the natural anxieties many of us share about the virus as well as ensuring that Meadowbrook children get the best possible academic and pastoral experience possible.

Here is the link to our [Covid 19 Handbook](#) which provides detailed information about the return to school. It can also be found on the red bar via the homepage of our website. Even if you have read it before, much of the information has changed and you will need to look at it to ensure that you are fully prepared for the new term. For example, drop off and pick up times, lunches, uniform rules, what we will be teaching and much more.

Once again, it is a large document, but I feel certain you would rather have as much information as we can provide rather than be left with questions. If you do, however, have further questions, please do ask – serenagunn@meadowbrook.uk or headteacher@meadowbrook.uk. The headteacher email has now been re-directed to Sarah Warner, as Meadowbrook's new Head.

As before, the children will be receiving additional, more 'child centred' guidance from their class teachers, upon their return to school. They will have already received a letter from their teachers to help them prepare more generically for the start of term.

In order to offer the full curriculum and given our small numbers, we have decided to create one whole school 'bubble'. Without this, we would not be able to offer any specialist lessons and offering the full syllabus is important at this stage. To minimise risk even further however, we will still practice distancing between classes and at all times with staff (acknowledging the increased risks of transmission between adults). As government guidance recommends, any staff member who teaches elsewhere, will have additional measures such as increased distancing.

Our aim of course is to open as usual but we are all aware of the risks regarding local outbreaks or indeed, cases related to the school through the track and trace system. As the school is based in Bracknell Forest, we fall under the [Bracknell Forest Outbreak Plan](#) (click on the link for further details) which will instruct the school on next steps should it become necessary.

I would ask that you all familiarise yourselves with the procedures to follow in the event that you need to report to us any symptoms, positive test results (of anyone in the household) or contact (to you or anyone in your household) from the track and trace system.

Contingency plans are in place should we need to revert temporarily to online schooling as before. Please be assured that we will communicate proactively and openly with you all as we monitor and manage the School.

The Handbook also contains information on the new staggered arrival and collection times for each class and attached to this Parentmail is also a note from Sarah, a copy of our timetable (showing only specialist lessons) and the calendar.

We looking forward to welcoming you all 'back to School' on Tuesday 8th September. Busy with my own school runs (even more of a challenge this term given the procedures of the relevant schools!) I leave you in the capable hands of Sarah and the team. I am always available via email and hope that I catch you at some point dropping off or picking up. Failing that, I will be attending the Zoom Welcome Back Class Meetings, Sarah mentions in her letter.

Best wishes for now,

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