

Review of the first week back - Update

I would like to begin by offering a big thank you to so many people who have helped to make this week so positive – children, parents, staff and governors. The school has been a lovely place to be this week and this is all down to nearly every single person doing the right thing. A few points I would like to particularly praise:

- 🌱 UNIFORM has been excellent and the children look so smart – keep this up, there is a strong link between smart uniform and good performance.
- 🌱 BEHAVIOUR has been brilliant, I am so impressed with the way the children have returned to the working school day. There are a number of 'extra' rules relating to health and the children have been so adaptable.
- 🌱 We have been assessing the children this week to find out where they are and I am so pleased with their effort to do their best. We will use this information to tailor their curriculum provision.

It is always a privilege to be the Headteacher of this amazing school but I cannot fully put into words how proud I am of the children and staff with the sunshine they bring to each day.

The Year 3's have been amazing coming into school so we would now like to bring them in from 8:45 – 9:00 to enhance their learning time by 15 minutes. They have settled in really well and should be exceptionally proud of their first week. If you want to drop them off at the same time as the rest of the school from 8:30 then that is also possible as the staff will be in their rooms ready to start the day. Whatever works best for your arrangements.

The adapted end of the day process seemed to alleviate a large number of problems so we will be continuing with these for next week until further notice:

Year 3 2:30 p.m. finish

Year 4 2:40 p.m. finish

Year 5 2:50 p.m. finish

Year 6 3:00 p.m. finish

Thank you to all the parents and those who pick up for your co-operation, it has made such a difference to the success of this process. To make it even better, please show consideration for our neighbours by not standing on their front garden grass or parking on corners making crossing the road difficult. I know it is busy but if we are all working together then things are always better.

Keep reminding your children that there is a large number of staff around who will keep them safe if they can't see their parents.

School photos will be next week – Wednesday 16th September – the pictures are taken individually and digitally put in class groups.

As ever, we will review the arrangements across the week and keep you informed of our decisions.

Best Wishes Dr Jones

11.09.20