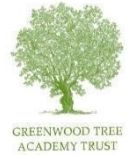




# Frome Valley First School

## News Weekly



### Welcome Back

We are delighted to welcome all the children back to school after such a long time and also our new Reception Class and their families. It is wonderful to see the children so happy. Wednesday was a very special day when we were able to spend time with Year 4 before they started the next stage of their school journey at St Marys. We were able to present Year 4 with their dictionaries, Photo Frames and Leaver's T-shirts (Thank you to the PTFA for providing these). Year 4 also took part in a leaver's race which ended up in them getting very very wet!! It was also lovely for all children to say goodbye to their previous teacher.

### Reminders

We know that dropping children in and picking children up from school is very different from last year. We would just like to remind parents of the following:

We are staggering the drop off and pick up times of each year group. This is to ensure that children come into school and leave school safely. Please support us in keeping all children and staff safe by ensuring **that you remain 2m apart from other children and parents when on the school site**. Children **must not** play on outside school equipment. This is because we cannot share equipment from different bubbles or year groups. Please keep to the times given. There will be an adult at the designated entrance during the 10 minute pick up and drop off time. As soon as we see you, your child can enter/leave the school.

To limit the number of people on the school site, we ask that **only one parent** brings their child to school and picks them up. We also ask that parents walk to school as much as possible. Please remember that children will need to enter the school by themselves as no parent will be allowed into the school building. **We also ask that you leave the school site as soon as you have dropped off or collected your child(ren).**

Children can bring book bags to school once again and we will begin to send reading books home as normal. However, we still need to limit what comes into school and what goes home. **So, please do not allow children to bring in toys etc... from home.** Children will still need to bring in their drink bottle each day as well as a healthy snack of fresh fruit or veg for break time. **From Thursday 10th September, we will once again have a delivery of fresh fruit or vegetables for children in the Reception Class, Years 1 and 2.**

### **When should I keep my child off school?**

This is a question we have been asked several times, in the last few days. Please note that we are following all guidelines from the DfE and Public Health.

The symptoms to look out for are:

**A new continuous cough.**

**A temperature**

**A loss of taste and smell**

We expect children to have sniffles, sore throats and colds and, as long as your child is well enough to be in school, we are happy to have them. Above all, if you are concerned in any way, please contact your doctor's surgery or NHS 111 for advice.

### **Communication with School**

For the safety of the children and staff on the school site, we cannot allow parents into the building, **including into the foyer at the front of the school**. Instead, please continue to contact us by telephoning the school and by emailing the school office. Should you arrive late any morning, please telephone the school from outside the school entrance and a member of staff will collect your child.

**However, please know that we are still here for you. If you need to speak to the class teacher they are more than happy to speak to you in the playground or by phone.**

### **Breakfast Club and Happy Valley**

Breakfast Club and Happy Valley are both up and running. If you would like to book your child into either of these, please contact the school office.

### **P.E Kits**

Please can all children have a P.E kit in school that contains all weather wear. This needs to be in from Monday to Friday. We will then send all kits home to be washed, ever Friday.

### **Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks**

A reminder to everyone that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help.

