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# **Bunbury Aldersey CE Primary School**

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#### Dear Parents and carers

I hope you have had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed time with family and friends. The start of the new academic year is nearly now upon us and I wanted to reiterate some of the information I sent out at the end of last term.

## When will my child return to school?

Term will begin on **Monday 5th September**. All children will return to school on this day and attendance at school is mandatory. Gates will open at 8.40am and close at 8.55am promptly.

## What will my children wear?

All children need to return to school in their full school uniform from September. If children wish to come back in summer uniform this is permissible until October half term. On the days that your child has PE we are asking that they continue to come to school in the morning in their full PE kit. They do not have to bring their school uniform with them as they will remain in their PE kits all day. Black jogging bottoms may be more advisable particularly as the weather changes further into the term as PE lessons will take place outdoors and the black PE hoody may also be worn **on these days only**.

## **PE Days**

Children will do PE on the following days and will therefore need to come in their PE kit. PE will begin from **Monday 5**th **September**.

Reception: Thursday

Year 1: Wednesday and Friday

Year 2: Monday and Thursday (First session this week will be Thursday 8th September)

Year 3: Monday and Thursday (First session this week will be Monday 5th September)

Year 4: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 6: Tuesday and Wednesday



















#### **Forest Schools**

Forest school sessions will take place for the following classes on the following days. Please can all children taking part in Forest schools wear weather appropriate old clothes for these sessions. **Forest school sessions will begin on Tuesday 6**th **September**.

Reception: Tuesday

Year 2: Tuesday

#### **Class information**

All relevant information for the autumn term relating to your child's class. Including what they will be learning as well as helpful resources can be found on the school webpage using the following link below. These pages are a valuable source of information about your child's class and their learning through the school year.

http://www.bunburvaldersev.cheshire.sch.uk/classes

## **Bunbury Badgers**

Bunbury Badgers will continue to operate in the autumn term in the mobile classroom. We will open for before and after school care from 7.45am and after school till 6pm.

## What arrangements are in place for the start and end of the school day?

Gates will be open from 8.4am – 8.55am. We ask that children are not brought to the site any earlier as there will be no supervision from any staff member. Any children who are dropped off before this time will be taken to Bunbury Badgers and an invoice will be sent home for any acquired hours of care.

When dropping off we are asking parents to continue to do this promptly as the children will continue to go straight into the classroom and not play on the playground before school. We have found that this has been a much calmer start to the school day and therefore beneficial to focusing the children ready for their learning.

#### Covid

Schools will continue to follow the advice in the Living with Covid plan from the start of the new term. This means that anyone with symptoms is advised to stay away from school until they are well enough to participate as usual and when they do not have a temperature. Any adult who tests positive is advised to stay away from school for 5 days and any child who tests positive is advised to stay away for 3 days.

### Staffing

Mrs McShane will be returning from her maternity leave in September and we are delighted to welcome her back into school. Mrs McShane will return to school for 4 days a week and will resume her role as English lead for Bunbury Aldersey as well as class teaching responsibility.

We are fortunate to now be in a position to create a dedicated non-teaching Pastoral Manager role for the children of Bunbury and across the trust. For the past 5 years Ms Charlesworth, has been both class teacher and Pastoral lead. However, with the increasing demand from our schools and the decreasing support from external agencies we have taken the decision to expand this into a non-class

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teaching position. I am sure you will agree that this is a fantastic development for the children of Bunbury and provides that much needed Pastoral and Mental Health support which our children need. Ms Charlesworth will work closely with children, parents and staff and will be based in "The Nest". "The Nest" is a newly refurbished room with resources, soft furnishings and office space to support the mental health and well-being of pupils and their families.



There have been a couple of amendments to our staffing structure since the last letter at the end of the summer term which are outlined in the table below.

As you will be aware Bunbury Primary school is one of three schools within the RCSAT (Rural Church Schools Academy Trust) with Warmingham CE and St Oswalds CE Primary. During the summer term the Principal at St Oswalds resigned his position. We will be recruiting for a new Principal during the autumn term. During the interim period Mrs Jo Cliffe will become Acting Principal for St Oswalds until December 2022. Therefore, to ensure the standards of SEND support are maintained at Bunbury Miss Emily Snelson – Deputy SEND will be working out of the classroom every Friday during the autumn term. To ensure standards of teaching are maintained Year 4 will be taught by Mrs Moxley on a Friday until Christmas.

I am also delighted to welcome Miss Hewitt to our teaching team. Miss Hewitt, who is a qualified teacher, will be working as a Teaching assistant within year 5. She will be working full time and provide 1:1 and small group support within the year 5 class. This will be in addition to the timetabled TA support from Mrs Dale.

We are also in the process of recruiting a further 1:1 TA within year 4.



















Class	Teacher	Teaching assistant support
Reception	Mrs Armitage (3 days) and Mrs Hunt (2 days)	Mrs Fitzpatrick
Year 1	Miss Cork	Ms Moss Mrs Sweet
Year 2	Mrs McShane (4 days) Ms Charlesworth (1 day)	Ms Moss
Year 3	Mrs Smith	Mrs Walker
Year 4	Miss Snelson (4 days) Mrs Moxley (1 day)	1:1 To be appointed Mrs Dale
Year 5	Mrs Gabriel	Miss Hewitt (1:1 and class support) Mrs Dale
Year 6	Miss Hickson	Mrs Walker

#### Other staff:

Mrs Moxley (1 day) – Forest School teaching, Music and Modern Foreign Languages at KS2 Mr Friel (2 days) – PE Teacher

Ms Charlesworth (2 days) – small group, 1:1 support linked with Pastoral work and EAL support Mr Kirk Patrick (1 day) – Social skill and emotional coaching support

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new families to Bunbury primary both in reception and across the school. It is so wonderful to see our school flourish and grow and I know we will all make our new families feel very welcome within the Bunbury community.

I know that as always we will be in for a wonderful year ahead, full of learning and fun at Bunbury school and I look forward to being able to share in all these magic moments with you.

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday  $5^{\,\mathrm{th}}$  September.

Kind regards

Nic Badger

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