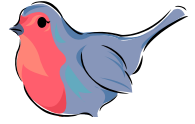


# Lydbrook Primary School

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**ROBINS NURSERY**

28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I can't believe that we have reached the end of another term! It has been great having all the children back again over the past few weeks and I do very much hope that the disruption caused by the Covid pandemic is now a thing of the past. The children are still getting used to being back in school full time and they appear quite tired and ready for a break to re-charge their batteries. The weather forecast looks good for next week and I hope the children can enjoy some time playing outside.

## **Parent meetings**

Thank you to all those parents who have managed to speak with their child's class teacher regarding how they have settled back into school life and the progress they are making. I hope the meeting provided you with a good overview and the targets that your child is working towards.

If you have not yet had a meeting, please e-mail your child's teacher to ask for a time.

## **Covid**

Until further guidance has been sent through by the Local Authority, we will continue to operate with our class bubbles and all actions are on our risk assessment. The Government wants everyone to take responsibility for keeping safe and to respect everyone around them. A mask when gathering outside the school when dropping off/picking up is still recommended but it is essential if you are coming onto school site.

We will wait for the further announcement from the Government scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> June to see if we can relax some of the guidance. We do hope that we may be able to offer the children some "normal" activities, such as a Sports Day event, but this will depend on what guidance we receive. I do very much hope though that normal schooling will return in readiness for September.

## **Toys from home**

There has been an increase in toys being brought in from home. This is not appropriate and request that parents check their child's bag before they leave in the mornings. Thank you

## **Uniform**

It is important that children come to school in the appropriate clothing in line with our preferred school uniform guide. This also includes PE kit on the day allocated for your child's class. The clothing that some of the children are wearing has become quite informal and inappropriate and I will be following this up in the new term if things do not improve.

## Class set up for September 2021

As you are aware, we have been going through a difficult restructuring process in order for the school to change to a four class set up (along with Robins nursery) from September. The outcome of the restructure has now been confirmed and the class set up for September 2021 is as follows:

Robins Nursery	Heather Davies/Donna Arnold
Owls class (YR/Y1)	Mrs. Symonds, Anita Clements, Karolina Phelps (1 to 1 TA)
Magpies class (Y2/3)	Mrs. Fellows/Miss Sprawson, Natalia Atanasova
Jays Class (Y4/5)	Mr. Bowkett, Tracey Archibald
Hawks class (Y5/6)	Mrs. Hughes, Sue Clark

Details of which class your child will be in will be sent out with the end of year reports due out by the middle of July.

As you can see from the staff names listed above, we are sad to be losing Julie Farr and Carla Selwyn-Phillips from our team from September.

### Forester's Forest evaluation meeting

The first of two meetings has been planned for Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June to begin to evaluate the impact of the Forester's Forest Lottery funded Heritage project. We have been very proud to be the lead school over the past 5 years to bring to more people's attention the huge wealth of educational resources and experiences that we have in the Forest of Dean. Although the project will be coming to an end in March 2022, we will be working closely with the Forestry Commission to ensure the legacies of the project remain available to everyone to enjoy, including all the Forest schools. The evaluation is being led by the University of Gloucestershire and will involve staff, parents, Governors and children.

### Diary dates

We return to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. There is an INSET day planned for Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June where the staff will begin to gather assessment information to inform the end of year reports. School will break up for the summer holidays on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

Finally, I would like to wish every family a lovely Whitsun break. The weather forecast for the week looks settled and I hope you can all enjoy some of the lovely sunshine.

Best wishes

S. T. Lusted

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