

# Ashton Vale Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been great to see so many smiling faces back in the school and the children back in class learning.

I have been so impressed with the children's enthusiasm, kindness and readiness to learn. You really should be so proud of them. They are amazing children! Also, a big thank you to you, the parents/carers for making sure children are coming to school safely, ready to learn.

If your child is displaying symptoms of Covid:

- High temperature
- New, continuous cough
- A loss or change to sense of smell and/ or taste

Contact the school and organise a test as soon as possible.

Mr Arthur

Friday 11th September 2020



The children have all been adapting well to the new guidelines, rules and safety measures put in place by the school.

Hand-washing is done regularly by all and surfaces sanitised constantly to ensure a clean environment.

# **Dropping Off and Collection Arrangements**

Thank you for continued patience as we adapt and improve procedures in line with Government guidelines.

Please be aware, there will be a slight change to the timetable for next week to ensure different pods and their families don't come into contact.

Families, please remember if you have more than one child in the school in a different pod, drop them off at the earliest pod time and collect them at the latest pod time.

It is so important you come at your specified time so you are not waiting in line for an extended time.

We require parents and families to be off-site as soon as possible so contact with class teachers will have to be made by phone presently.

	Pod Colour	Entry time	Exit time
Reception	Yellow	Reception parents will be receiving a separate letter	
Year 1	Yellow	9.05	3.00
Year 2	Yellow	9.05	3.00
Year 3	Green	8.55	3.10
Year 4	Green	8.55	3.10
Year 5	Blue	8.45	3.15
Year 6	Blue	8.45	3.15





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### **School Lunches**

Thank you again for your continued patience whilst lunch times with our new contractor have been established.

School lunches must be ordered the week before using ParentPay. If you are still having trouble with this system please contact the school office for assistance. All families need to use this system.

For children bringing in their own lunch please make sure it is full of healthy choices. Now more than ever it is important we focus on keeping ourselves and our children healthy and one way of doing this is considering the food we choose.



## **Healthy Snacks**

Children are allowed a piece of fruit or a small container with slices/sections of fruit and vegetables only. We, at school can help encourage your child try new, healthy snacks.

#### **Water Bottles**

Children should only be supplies with water please.

## Reading

Next week, every child should be bringing home a reading book to share with you. The expectations are as follows:

#### KS1

Children will bring home two books on Monday that they will be reading in school and at home. These need to be returned Friday. Over the weekend your teachers will share online reading resources and ideas for great picture/books traditional tales to share with your child.

#### KS2

On Monday, children will be bringing home a reading book for them to have both in school and at home. Once completed, as before, the book should be returned and changed regularly.

All returned books are then left for 72 hours before any other child comes into contact with them.

### **Home Learning**

Children in KS1 and KS2 will receive their home learning every Monday. This will be sent via their class page/blog on the website so please make sure you check weekly. You can timetable how you want to complete the tasks, daily reading, spellings and Times Tables Rockstars with your child being a real focus. Home learning will not be brought back into school but we are exploring online ways of sharing the things you do at home with the school.

#### **Bags**

Schools around the country are trying limit the amount of items brought into school on a daily basis.

#### Reception and KS1

Where possible, please use your child's book bag to transport fruit and water bottle. Another bag will be needed for PE days.

#### KS2

Children are allowed to bring in a small bag to carry their book, lunch, fruit, water bottle and on PE days.

