



Sunday 3rd September 2023

To our Wrenbury School Family,

I hope you have had a lovely summer break, enjoying quality time with family and/or friends, at home or away, and doing lots of things to add to your memory pot or book. I'd like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the staff and myself, to thank all of you who passed on lovely messages, cards and gifts at the end of last term. They are never an expectation but received with appreciation and thanks.

It seems the hot, sunny, summer weather has prolonged its appearance until we're all back at work and school, with a wonderful week of sunshine forecast for our return and opening on Wednesday 6th. On a positive, it will mean that the children can enjoy the expanse of outdoor space and have lots of fun being reunited. Please do ensure that children have suncream applied before school, that they bring a sun hat and water bottle (both labelled) in preparation.

We warmly welcome James into Y3, Mya into Y5 and Charlotte into Y6 alongside our new starters in Little Wrens and all our new families. We also welcome Mrs Culbert into the team. We hope you will all feel very happy at Wrenbury and very quickly feel part of our school family.

And so, a new academic year is about to begin...

Drop-off and pick-up for Little Wrens and Bases - September 2023

Entry to school via MUGA gate / Dr surgery entrance	Drop off 8.40-8.55 am	Pick up 3.30 pm	Entrance to class room
Little Wrens Miss Gregory / Mrs Phoenix	8.40-8.55 <i>If afternoon session only, 12 pm at main reception area with packed lunch or pre-order school lunch</i>	If morning session only: 12pm at main reception area <i>If afternoon session only:</i> 3.30pm	EYFS gate Back yard
Base 1 Mrs Evans / Mrs Culbert Miss Cornell (am)	8.40-8.55am Register closes at 9am when lessons start promptly	3.30pm	EYFS gate Back yard
Base 2 Mr Thorburn / Mrs Winward			Base 2 Back yard –via courtyard gate
Base 3 Mrs Charlesworth			Base 3 Back yard –via side door Mrs Charlesworth will be in shelter back yard
Base 4 Mrs Carden (covering for Mrs Dopierala) / Miss Ashton			Base 4 Classroom door (previously Miss Phillip and Base 3 room)
Base 5 Miss Phillips			Base 5 Classroom door (front yard)
Mrs Clarke, Mrs Davies, Miss Cornell (pm) will work across KS2 classes			

- Children in Y5 and Y6 can walk to and from school but school MUST be informed prior to the start of this arrangement.

Expectations of parents

Ensure your child:

- **arrives to school on time** (no later than 8.55am in class) and is picked up at 3.30pm. Please do not be on site earlier than 8.40am as there is no school supervision and sometimes we have emergency contractors /waste collection vehicles on site. Equally do not be late for pick up.

- has a named **name labelled, water** bottle - this will be sent home daily, to be cleaned, refilled with **water only** and returned. Please encourage your child to drink water and avoid juices.
- wears **correct school uniform** daily (including **plain** grey, white, black socks or **plain** red, white, black, grey tights – please keep ‘fun’ socks for theme days/ own clothes days / ‘odd socks’ days)
- comes to school in **correct PE Kit** and footwear on their PE day
- wears **no jewellery/accessories** – only stud earrings, if worn, and **longer hair is tied back** (hairband/bobbles)
- has sun-cream applied BEFORE school, if needed, and brings a sun hat, if very hot and sunny
- brings a **coat** if weather forecast is for an overcast, rainy day or cold weather
- brings a **SMALL school bag** and **NO personal belongings/toys** from home.
- is **supported at home with their learning** as much as possible – if this is a difficulty, please do share with your child’s teacher
- engages in **lots of talk with an adult** to increase their spoken vocabulary, word knowledge and confidence in expressing an opinion, idea, observation
- has **time limited play on ‘devices’** (tablets, phones, PlayStation/Xbox); check suitability of online games/apps (age appropriate) and privacy settings, and supervise your child to keep your child safe from online risk and harm.

Ensure your child’s

- **attendance** is the best that it can be. It will be closely monitored and children are expected to attend all sessions that school is open. We follow government guidelines regarding non-attendance. Note: late codes in register contribute to ‘absence’ record.
- Keep all contact details and telephone numbers up to date with office admin so that you can be contacted quickly in case of an emergency. At least two contacts are needed. If personal circumstances change, please do let us know so that we can support your child if it is needed.

Illness and absence

- For most sniffles, coughs and colds children should be in school – a children’s paracetamol (eg Calpol) should be given before school and once signed in the office can be administered in school. We will always send a child home if they are too unwell for school.
- If your child is on antibiotics for an illness that is not contagious and is well enough for school, again this can be administered in school once the paperwork has been signed / authorised with school – office.
- If your child suffers from asthma – an asthma plan **must** be completed, and a copy should be in school. An inhaler **must** be always in school if you identify your child as asthmatic, even if an inhaler is only occasionally used. The inhaler **must** be ‘in date’.
- If your child has a sickness bug/diarrhoea, they should not return until 48 hours after their last bout.

Expectations of Staff

We will:

- uphold the school’s ethos - ‘We all matter’ - and ensure your child (and your family) matters to us
- support a positive parent partnership to enable us to work together in the best interest of your child
- endeavour to provide the best education and enrichment opportunities we can so that your child makes at least good progress from their individual starting point, meets their potential and has a well-rounded experience in readiness for the next stage of their learning journey
- support your child’s wellbeing, safety and happiness in and out of school
- keep you up to date with your child’s learning: termly newsletters, learning journey overviews, parent evenings, sharing afternoons, annual reports, information sharing sessions/workshops, website news

The Nest: Thank you for booking your places for the autumn term as requested. The Nest is increasingly popular and some sessions are at capacity.

Finally, I hope your Coronation wildflowers have bloomed brightly and brought a smile or two. Those in the flower planters in school look wonderful. The sunflowers alongside the staff carpark have grown and bloomed, too, which made for happy insects and bees. Many thanks to the gardening club and Mrs Charlesworth.

On behalf of all the Wrenbury Team and governors, thank you for your continued support as we prepare for the start of the new school year. We are very much looking forward to seeing you all on Wednesday.

Take care and best wishes,

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