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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we rapidly approach the end of the summer term I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents, families, staff and of course children for what has been a remarkable, yet successful year.

It has been brilliant to welcome back so many children in FS1, FS2, Year 1, Year 6 and the Key Worker bubbles. It has also been a daily source of joy to see all of the amazing work and contributions that children and families have shared from home.

We very much look forward to seeing a new group of children in school from Monday 20 July for our KiT week. It has been difficult to organise, but we do very much appreciate the support we have had from the parent community. On the flip side I would like to apologise to any parents that have not been able to return their children to school before September.

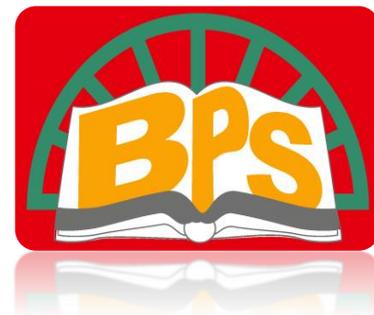
Currently as a school, we are preparing for the full return of all children in September. There are many things to plan for and guidance to digest, however there are a few things to note at this point:

1. School timings will continue to be staggered.
2. Children will return to wearing uniform
3. School will become compulsory and all children will be expected to return. The pre-Covid-19 expectations and systems for absence will return (with some exceptions).

There are many other things to consider and **a full plan for September is being written now**. As soon as it is finished, it will be shared with parents and placed on the school website. In the meantime the staff at BPS wish everyone all the very best for the Summer break.

Kind regards

Jason Osprey



Upcoming Events

10.07.20 end of year book collection and drop off (teachers will be in touch)

17.07.20 Last day of school for children in current 'bubbles'

20.07.20 End of year reports emailed to all families

20.07.20 (to 24.07.20) Keeping in Touch week

24.07.20 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL CHILDREN

27.07.20 (to 7.08.20) Next Level Sport – Summer Camp

1.09.20 Admin day for teachers

2.09.20 SCHOOL OPEN TO CHILDREN





Staffing

Mr Mark Thorpe (site manager) has left BPS in order to take on a site manager's role very close to his home. He has worked here for nearly 8 years and will be missed. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all he has done for the school and wish him every success in his new job.

Mr Steve Cox has joined us from the George Spencer Academy. We would like to welcome him to the team.

I am delighted to announce that Miss Simpson and her partner have had a beautiful bouncing boy – George William O'Connor. George was 7lb 8oz when born and all are safe, happy and well.

Well done Louise and FAMILY – Enjoy this magical time!



Key worker competition

During lock down, Sarah Wade from 'Sarah's Home Décor' has run a competition where children needed to draw a beautiful picture for key workers. She offered prizes including crafts and a Build a Bear. Congratulations to Lara (winner) and Blake (runner up) – both from BPS. Well done you two – You are amazing!

Breakfast Club & After School Club

With the closure of the Early Years Alliance I know many families were concerned about childcare both before school and after. I am pleased to announce that BPS will be providing this wrap around care from our return in September 2020.

At the time of writing we are interviewing for the people who will lead the provision. We are also having the old Early Years Alliance building redecorated and cleaned. It will be repurposed in the 2020-21 school year, with BPS taking over responsibility for the building and using it as part of the school.

While **we will be producing more detail about the Breakfast/After School Club in the coming weeks**, what we can say is that we have listened to the community's views from the survey we did in June and will make sure that it reflects this as best we can.

Thank you for your understanding and patience on this and we are happy that we will be able to provide this service for September.

Transition

One of the major school events that have been impacted on by Covid-19 has been transition. In many different ways, school has to think about transition, whether it be from Year 3 to Year 4, or from Year 6 to secondary, SEN children, or our new starters going into Nursery (FS1) or Reception (FS2). Obviously many of the things we have done in the past have not been possible. Consequently, we will be doing the following:

- Year 6:
 - o We have had to rely on what our two local secondaries have offered in terms of transition for our children. That being said we have conveyed all appropriate information from here to the secondaries. Please refer to the following links for information about transition for:
 - Selston High School <http://www.selstonhighschool.notts.sch.uk/Transition>
 - Hall Park Academy <http://www.hallparkacademy.org.uk/year-6-transition>
 - o We have provided hoodies for the children to commemorate their time at BPS.
 - o On Friday 17 July we will be holding a farewell, socially distanced, picnic on the school field. 2 adults per family. Please bring your own refreshments, including a picnic blanket. We will notify families in the morning if we have to cancel due to weather.
- Early Years:
 - o FS1/Nursery:
 - In the week beginning Wednesday 2 September children who have previously been in FS1 and are remaining there will return. Some of these will be mornings, others will be entitled to 30 hours (the 30 hours children will receive this from the beginning).
 - Children new to BPS will be beginning school on Monday 7 September.
 - o FS2/Reception:
 - In the week beginning Wednesday 2 September children will be in school until 1pm. They will have lunch and then return home. FS2 will resume full school days the following week (7.09.20).
- All year groups:
 - Teachers have written a letter of introduction to all children who will be in their class in September 2020. It will be included with their end of year report, which will be emailed to families on Monday 20 July.
 - Teachers have communicated with each other so that all appropriate information is shared between teachers before September.
 - When children return on Wednesday 2 September, for all of that week, they will be provided with beginning of the year, transition activities, welcoming them back into school and a new class.
 - There will be a video surprise message to all children before we break up for the year.

Thank you

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a parent - Mrs. Mendly, who runs Sing Station. Mrs. Mendly very kindly ran a collection for school and managed to collect nearly £50.

This money will go towards a treat for the children, as we welcome them all back in the Autumn.

Summer Camp

We are pleased to be able to run a summer camp (places now closed) funded by Sport England and ActiveNotts, using Next Level Sports and staff from BPS.

This camp will have a range of activities brought to you by NLS and will also have some support from Mrs. Scrimshaw who will be a familiar face for our children who may be anxious, as they have been away from school for so long.

The school kitchen will even be providing a packed lunch for those that want it.

