

Dear Parents and Carers, Children and Families,

I hope you are enjoying the holiday, staying safe and well, and of course the sunshine. I just wanted to write to you with a brief update regarding plans for September.



The video and information slides of our plans for the September 2020 return to school will be issued during the week commencing 10th August 2020. Within this video, I will be detailing the plans for our return in September and all that it will entail. I am ensuring we remain up to date with any changes regarding maintaining the safety of the children, families and staff and this is why I have chosen this date to issue the plan. I wanted to make sure the plan was based around the most up to date information, in line with government guidelines, so our families and community were clear of the plan for September when children return.

Some key dates for you:

- **Staff return to school: 1st September 2020**
- **Children return to school: 3rd September 2020**

ALL children will attend school on 3rd September 2020. Drop off and collection times will be confirmed within the video and information slides for parents.

- **Breakfast Club will not be operating initially to aid in the management of COVID 19 at Wren's Nest. However, all school aged children will be provided with breakfast provision within the classroom during their Early Start session.**
- **Children will return to their old year group, teachers and classrooms on the 3rd and 4th of September as well as week beginning 7th September. This is to support our children with the transition process as would do normally at the end of the school year, as well as giving them reassurance and consistency in what they already know after their time away from school routines and expectations following the COVID 19 pandemic.**

Below I have included a letter from Helen Ellis, the interim Director for Children's Services within Dudley, that supports the great relationships and partnership working we have with you as parents.

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we look forward to all of our children and young people returning to school this September, I am writing to explain how you can work with us to make this successful.

Although many restrictions have been eased, schools will still be very different from when they were last full in March and it is important that you follow any specific guidance or instructions you are given. These will be explained in detail by your child's school and might include changes to the start and end of the day, and for those of you with younger children, changes to how you can drop off and collect them.

Schools will continue to teach children in distinct groups, or bubbles and it is important that you make sure your child understands what this means before the start of term. For the safety of all children, young people and staff, schools will expect that these arrangements are followed and will contact parents/carers if they have any concerns.

With all children and young people being expected to return to school, please also be aware that unless there are specific health issues in your family, no work will be sent home for children who are not in school.

We are conscious that this has been and continues to be an unsettling time for many of you but hope that, with your support, schools can quickly return to caring for and educating all of Dudley's children and young people.

Yours sincerely

Helen Ellis
Interim Director of Children's Services

As always, PLEASE be reassured, the decisions taken by us as a school as we move forward will keep the safety of the children, parents, local community and staff at the heart of our intentions in bringing all children back into school



I also wanted to remind you of the activities available online to support you at home during the summer holidays and during the unprecedented times. Please visit the school website and take a look!



The school website is;
www.wrens-nest.dudley.sch.uk

The screenshot shows the Parent Hub app interface for Wren's Nest Primary School. At the top, it says 'parenthub' with a logo. Below that, it says 'Wren's Nest Primary School' and 'Would like you to join their channel on Parent Hub. Just tap "Add a School" in the app and enter the handle below...'. The handle '@WrensNestSchool' is displayed in a blue box. Below this, it says 'The Parent Hub app is FREE to download and use' and 'Scan the QR code download it now'. There are two buttons: 'Available on the App Store' and 'GET IT ON Google Play'. A QR code is shown in a pink box. Below the QR code, it says 'What is Parent Hub?' and 'Parent Hub is a free app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters all in one handy place.' There is a small illustration of a girl and a boy. Below that, it says 'Instructions for Parents' and lists three steps: 1. Download the Parent Hub App from your app store (iPhone or Android), 2. Create an account, 3. Choose "Add a School" and enter the school handle (above). At the bottom, it says 'Visit www.parenthub.co.uk to find out more'.

Please, if you are not on Parent Hub, download

the **FREE App** on your phone today! **Please scan the QR code using your camera device on your phone and it will take you directly to the link for the app.**

It is an excellent way to keep up to date with everything that is happening at Wren's Nest, particularly at this difficult time.

It will suggest ideas for you to do at home as well as keep you updated with key information from school.

As always, it remains very important that we continue to support our families during this very uncertain time.

Our school mobile phone is continuing to be held either by myself or another member of the Senior Leadership Team and is a way of contacting us, should you need to, so we can provide you with appropriate help and assistance.

The mobile number is: 07858 986604

PLEASE look out for the information slides and video coming to you with specific details for September return to school during the week commencing 10th August 2020.

Take care of yourselves,

PLEASE remember we are here if you need us.

Love, Mrs Parkes x

