

FURZEDOWN PARENTS NEWSLETTER



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On-line portal

All children on our registers now have a username and password for the online portal. Please be patient it may take a short time for the system to catch up and activate them all.

Every class will add discussion points /spellings/activities onto the portal by the Friday for the children to do you. This will reflect and support what they have been working on in class.

You have access to the portal whenever you like.

Lunches - dinner hall

We have had to restrict the number of children in the dining hall and have had meals delivered to classes for years R,1,2,3 this half term. After the October half term we will be taking Yr1, 2 and 3 children up to the dining hall. The older children will have lunches brought down to them. We will review the situation as the government guidance changes.

Cashless Payments

We are now cashless for the following items:

- Lunches
- After school care
- Uniform
- Trips
- After school clubs

Please contact the office for further information.

Meet the teacher

We are planning to give you the opportunity to discuss your children's progress with us either face to face or on the phone.

We will be sending out timeslot invites for the week of November 9th.

Timetables

Timetables are on the website but are subject to change.

Swimming

Tooting leisure centre has informed us that they are not reopening the pool for schools until January at the earliest. We await their updates

Games.

The children are having indoor and outdoor games as usual.

We are encouraging children to come dressed ready for games please.

(No added kits needed for the time being)

Medical

If your child needs an epi-pen or other prescribed medicines please make sure we have in date medicines in school with the appropriate forms giving us permissions to administer them.

If there is any change in your child's condition please let us know as soon as possible so we can update our records. If your child no longer needs the medication we have please let us know and we will dispose of it.

Trips

The teachers are looking at organising trips in the minibuses to outdoor spaces.

Year 3 are thinking about a trip to Butser farm.

It will be closed to the public and they will be the only school there. Have a look at the website.

We would like your opinion first please let the year 3 teachers know at the gate if you would like your child to go or not.

[Butser Ancient Farm](http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk)

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Dropping off and picking up

We have tried to set up a simple system to minimise congestion and allow the dropping off and picking up to be as quick and easy as possible. We are relying on all of you to help us by being prompt and not hanging around.

Unfortunately we have limited access and narrow entrances.

Drop off and pick up times

Nursery- 8.30 -11.15am 12-2.45pm (car park)

Reception - 8.45 - 3.00pm (car park)

Year 1 - 8.30 - 2.45pm (Welham Rd)

Year 2 - 8.45 - 3.00pm (Welham Rd)

Year 3 - 9.00- 3.15pm (Welham Rd)

Year 4 - 8.30 - 2.45pm (Beclands Rd)

Year 5 - 8.45 - 3.00 (Beclands Rd)

Year 6 - 9.00 - 3.15pm (Beclands Rd)

Children not picked up on time

1. If you know you are running late please phone the office as soon as possible to let us know.
2. If there are no other options; in an emergency we will provide emergency childcare at a cost of £20 for the session.
3. If you have not phoned we will phone you and if we cannot get through we will phone your emergency contact numbers.
4. If we still get no response from any numbers we will start phoning Social Services and the police at 4:40pm so that the social workers can arrange emergency foster care.

After school clubs

These will start up from 28th Sept and run for 4 weeks limited to year bubbles.

1. Forms will be sent out by email next week outlining what clubs will be running.
 2. Please return the forms by 21st requesting up to 2 club places per child to Mrs Bailey
afterschool.furzedown@gmail.com
 3. Mrs Bailey will confirm the places that have been reserved for and how much you have to pay online. Once spaces are paid for they are allocated and non-refundable.
 4. You need a SIMS PAY activation code to pay online. If you do not have one contact Mrs Bailey.
- We have limited spaces at the moment.

Secondary transfer

The date for the Year 6 Wandsworth test has been delayed and will take place in school on 3rd December 2020.

We will familiarise the children with the format and give them strategies .

You can apply for a secondary school from 1st September.

The online applications need to be submitted by 31st October 2020.

If you need help in choosing a school and completing the form please contact the school office.

You can find the secondary schools booklet and provisional dates for open days, as well as the online application form at

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/admissions