

FURZEDOWN PARENTS NEWSLETTER



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Return to school.

It is lovely to see all of the children back in school and we have been so impressed with how seamlessly they have all settled back into a routine.

Thank you again to all of the parents and carers who have supported us during these very trying times.

There are obviously going to be hiccups as we set up routines that we hope are manageable and compliant.

We will do our best to resolve any issues that arise due to the staggered start and finish times as quickly as we can but we do need to give things a chance to settle. So we ask for your continued patience and understanding, with the many changes that we have had to put in place, to continue to adhere to the government restrictions imposed on us.

Lunches - dinner hall

The school kitchens have reopened with some changes, due to the restrictions we need to have in place.

If you are planning for your child to have a school dinner please make sure you pay **online** before the term begins.

The cost will be £92:50 for this half term for children in years 3,4,5,6.

All reception children can have a free school lunch from Monday 14th September.

Please let the teacher know if you want to take this up.

Timetables and Topics

Nursery	Friends/Light
Reception	Changes
Year 1	No place like home
Year2	Stories of the sea
Year3	Stones and bones
Year4	Twists and turns
Year 5	Exploring Space
Year 6	A watery world

Timetables are on the website but are subject to change.

Swimming and Games

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

(No added kits needed for the time being)
Tooting leisure centre has informed us that they are not reopening the pool for schools until January at the earliest. We await their updates.

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

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)

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.**

Lost Property.

We will lay out the lost property in the car park on Friday 18th from 2 pm-3:30pm

If you are missing items please come and have a look.

Items left will be disposed of.

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.

Cashless Payments

We are now cashless for the following items:

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

Water bottle

Please make sure that your child has a refillable water bottle.

Toilet news

Work on the new infant toilets are well under way - one block is almost complete and work will begin on the next block soon.