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## Hainford Newsletter

### Welcome Back

Finally a warm and very much belated welcome back to Hainford Primary School for **all** children, families and staff. After missing out on face-to-face teaching to all children during the summer term it has been really pleasing to see how successfully the children have adjusted to life back in school. Clearly daily school life has altered significantly since last year, with additional cleaning / handwashing and social distancing altering the way in which lessons are able to be delivered. Over the next few weeks we will be increasing the academic content and expectations of children while continuing to iron-out any processes and procedures.

To those families and children who have joined the school in September, it has been really pleasing to see how successful the first week back has been for the children given how little transition they were able to have compared with 'normal' times.

Thank you everyone who has helped to make this such a successful return to school and we will all be working hard for continued success in the future.

### Keeping Safe:

We are all working as hard as we can to encourage social distancing where appropriate combined with rigorous hand washing and additional cleaning in order to keep both the school and wider community as safe as we can.

It has been welcoming to see how on the whole parents have been socially distancing when queuing in the morning and when collecting children.

In order to continue make sure that everyone is safe as possible and therefore also keeping our school open, we ask that parents continue to follow government guidelines regarding transporting children, socially distancing and what to do if your child is ill.

We have attached the **shared expectations** document that forms part of the school's Covid risk assessment.

## Reminders

### In order to keep everyone safe:

- Children should wash their hands and change clothes as soon as they return home.
- Children must come to school in newly washed uniform/kit
- Good hygiene and social distancing practises must be maintained on the journey to and from school, including any time spent in the newly opened park next to the school

### Drop off and collection:

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who have been dropping off and collecting their children at the correct times. This really helps avoid mixing of children in bubbles A and B which may help us to keep the school open if there is an incident or outbreak of Covid in the school community.

Now that we have generally successfully navigated the first week, we can continue to stay safe by adhering to the times below.

A reminder of the times:

	<b>Morning drop off</b>	<b>Afternoon collection</b>
Bubble B (YRs 2 to 6)	8:35 to 8:45	2:50 to 3pm
Bubble A (R & yr1)	8:45 to 8:50	3pm
*Siblings	As close to 8:45 as you can	As close to 3pm as you can

\*Parents dropping off siblings in different bubbles can drop-off / collect at the same time but we ask that you aim to drop off / collect at the times noted above.

### ParentPay

Letters have been sent out today about this new service – if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the office.

### School Website

Our school website <http://www.harnserfed.co.uk/> contains a huge amount of advice, documents and information for parents such as our curriculum, transition documents and staying safe-online. I would urge all parents/carers to regularly visit our website.

### Lost Property

Next week, linked to our school value of Responsibility, we will be working hard with children to take even greater responsibility for their belongings. We have already got a growing collection of jumpers and tops. Given the current Covid situation it is even harder to return lost items of clothing and even more so if that item of clothing hasn't been clearly labelled. If you could ensure that all items of clothing that can be removed in school such as hats, coats and jumpers are clearly labelled then with additional reminders in school we should be able to reduce this issue.

### **Hello from Mary our SENCo**

For those of you who don't know me, I am the Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo) across the three Harnser schools (Frettenham, Hainford and St Faiths). I also teach Year 2/3 at Frettenham.

I like to visit each school regularly to see parents and children and to support teachers but, obviously, at the moment visits will be limited.

I have time out of my classroom on Thursday mornings so this is the best time to get hold of me. I am also available after school. If you would like to talk to me about your child, if you have any concerns or would like some advice please ring or email the office at any of the schools to arrange a time when we can talk.

Thank you,

Mary Board

### **Let's Celebrate!**

From next Friday teachers will be giving out 'Star' and 'Value' awards. Children who are awarded a certificate will have their photograph taken which will be posted on Seesaw or Tapestry.

**Thank you for all your support**