



Hackwood News

September 11th, 2020



It has been amazing to see everyone at Hackwood this week. Welcome to the many new children and families and welcome back to the families we have missed so much! The children have been truly exemplary in the way they have conducted themselves around school and their approach to their learning.

Everyone is looking really smart, thank you for following our uniform policy. We know a few people are waiting for some orders to come from the Uniform Shop, we are assured that everything will be back in stock soon. A reminder that only studded earrings can be worn which must be removed by the child on PE days. Ideally, leave earrings at home as school isn't responsible for anything lost or damaged. We suggest children wear leggings or tracksuit bottoms rather than shorts on their PE days as it will soon be getting colder outside.



School Opening Times and Gates



As you know we have put procedures in place to try to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your patience waiting outside until it is your gate time and for social distancing both on and off site. We have tried to help parents as much as possible by enabling you to bring your whole family at once. Please try not to wait outside too early, instead please stay in your car or walk up on time to the gate. The senior leadership team will continue to review the situation.

Mac's Club continue to provide before and after school care and pick up / drop off at Hackwood. They can also provide care on a Wednesday afternoon and you can contact Mac's Club on 07527 233495 for more information.

We are grateful to you for parking considerately. We realise it is busier now that we have more children. Please don't block the school gates or anyone's driveway and please be mindful as you pull away as it is quite busy around Starflower Way and it would be awful if there was an accident. We continue to promote cycling and walking to school.



School Spider Password

We are sorry that we have been having some issues with our email system this term. We needed to reset everyone's password for the email system so you should have received a link. Unfortunately the link expires after 60 minutes so if you need a new link please ring or email the office. We will be sending out newsletters through email and putting newsletters on the website. We will be aiming to be paperless from next week.

Outdoor Changes

We are delighted to be able to start making improvements to our outdoor area now that the field and grass have had time to bed in. We have two fantastic new goal posts on the field. We are awaiting the installation of an exciting trim trail for main school and basket ball posts on the play-ground. The children are enjoying being outside and exploring everything that is new.



They love the new mud kitchen and outdoor stage that Mrs Jones's husband, Dean, has kindly made for us. Thank you so much to him for his time and expertise!



School has been awarded some very smart equipment by the Premier League—the children will love using their professional kit. We just need to get a pump to inflate the balls.

Water Bottles

Thank you for sending your child with their own water bottle. We do ask that only water is brought into school for use in the classroom. This is to prevent sticky spillages and is also healthier for the children. They may have juice or milk in their packed lunch but this would need to be in a different bottle. Please check that the bottle is named as many of them are very similar and it is important that it is easily identifiable.



Could we please request that you bring your child's birth certificate to the office so that Mrs Brotherton can see it if you have not done so already. This is an important legal requirement.

Please do let us know if anything changes for your child so we can be kept up to date. We hope you have told us about any allergies or medical needs but please check if you are unsure.

Useful Dates

INSET 18th November—morning only

Parental Consultations (to be confirmed) 9th November

Flu Immunisation 14th October

Photographs 2nd December

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