

# Woodlands Primary and Early Years

## June Newsletter

I hope you and your families are all safe and well. Thank you for your patience at this ever changing time.

### **Back to school Update**

As I am writing this I have found out that the Scottish Government have said that they hope schools will be back to normal by August and all children can start back on the 11<sup>th</sup> August. We all hope this too however we still have to plan in case the restrictions are not lifted. I covered most of the main points in my last newsletter and these are still relevant. I have given information below with regards to Group A and Group B below assuming restrictions are not lifted and a few extra pieces of information which you will find helpful. The previous newsletter can be found on Twitter and our webpage.

Plans for the current guidance.

- Children to be in two groups. Group A will come in on a Monday/Tuesday and Group B on a Thursday/Friday.
- Your child should have received an email yesterday morning from their teacher telling them if they are in Group A or Group B. We have arranged for siblings to be in the same group. This has been a huge task and unfortunately we can't offer you the choice of groups.
- We will have a staggered entry at the start of the day and at the end of the day to help with social distancing and to support hand washing.

Keep in touch by contacting your teacher, school text or email.

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Time you should arrive and the door you will come in. Please arrive at the correct time to ensure social distancing.

Time	Senior door	Front Door	Nursery side Door	P1 door	1M Classroom
8:50 – 2:55	7B	5L 4G	2R	2G	
9:00 – 3:00	7H	5C 4S	3G	3/4S	
9:10 – 3:05	6O	6G	3T	1P	1M

Which gate to use:-

Senior Gate	Main Gate	Nursery Gate
7B 7H 6O 6G	5C 5L 4S 4G	1P 1M 2R 2G 3G3T 3/4S

**Further information:-**

- Pupils will be assigned a sink to wash hands at and this is the sink they will always use.
- Children will have their own desk and be supplied with pencils, rulers etc. These will be in a wallet with their name on it.
- Chairs are 2 metres apart at the moment.
- Pack lunches will stay at their desk with them.
- Pack lunches can be in a plastic box which is cleaned before coming to school or in a disposable bag. No fabric bags please.
- Children should come with a clean water bottle each day which is filled ( water only please)

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- No school bags or toys please. Staff will arrange toys for younger pupils which will be cleaned at the end of the day.
- Hot lunches will be in the P.E hall and dining hall. This will make it easier to clean and save the classrooms from having lingering odours. Pack lunches will be in the classroom or outside. Tables will be cleaned before the children eat.
- Touch points will be cleaned throughout the day

What to wear:-

- Clean clothes must be worn everyday
- Parents have indicated they wish school uniform to be worn.

School Uniform is

- Grey sweatshirt
- Grey or dark green v neck or cardigan
- White or green polo shirt or white shirt
- Grey skirt/ trousers or Black skirt/trousers
- Green/white checked school dress or green kilt
- Black shoes or black plain trainers
- Ties and blazers are not allowed unless the restrictions are lifted

Children should not wear the following

- Hoodies
- Jumpers/ tops with logos other than the school badge
- Leggings/jeggings
- Jeans

Please remember NAC have a policy of no football insignia.

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Finally...

Congratulation's to Mr Coates (our janitor) and his wife on the safe arrival of a beautiful baby boy. Mr Coates is officially "chuffed to bits".

Thank you again for your continued patience, support and for engaging in the surveys which have guided our next steps. Like you many of the staff were working from home while looking after young children so we know how challenging it would be for you on a daily basis.

I also want to take the opportunity to thank all the staff for continuing to work under challenging circumstances during lockdown and for the returning to school planning including the mammoth problem solving tasks of contacting families, timetabling, planning, risk assessments, cleaning, moving tables and organising groupings. It has been a tough six months for our community. Hopefully the next six months will be painless for us all.

Wishing you a relaxing, healthy Summer break with no queuing!

Best wishes from everyone at Woodlands.

Lesley Drever

Headteacher

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