



Ferndale Primary and Nursery School

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thursday 25th June 2020

Please find below information about where your child's bubble drop off and pick up points will be, please note these may be different to where you have been dropping and picking up your child previously, if your child has already been in school. We have also updated further information which you will find below.

It is essential that if your child, or anyone in your household, is unwell and presenting with any symptoms of illness that they remain at home. A non-touch thermometer will be used to check children's temperatures if we are concerned about their health. If in doubt, we will contact you to arrange for you to collect your child immediately and we will expect you to arrive as quickly as possible giving us your full support with this.

We will also be expecting all families whose children are in school to be following the Government's guidelines on social distancing whilst at home. This is very important as it means, everyone working together to protect one another.

The staff in each bubble are:

	Teaching Staff
Little Ferns	Mrs Nolan, Sarah and Megan
Tiny Acorns	Nicky, Michelle, Mrs Azavedo and Andrea
Avebury	Miss O'Sullivan, Miss Salamanca and Mrs Griffiths
Uffington	Miss Lanham, Mrs Upton and Mrs Cole
Loch Ness	Mrs Curtis, Mrs Hall and Miss Chase
Tintagel	Mrs Barder, Mrs Payne and Miss Connell
Year 5 Bubble A	Mrs Storey and Mrs Frost
Year 5 Bubble B	Mrs Prevost and Mrs Uzzell
Year 5 Bubble C	Mr Truman and Mrs Mansfield
Barrier Reef Bubble A	Mrs Billingham
Barrier Reef Bubble B	Mrs Humphrey
Uluru Bubble A	Mrs Mann
Uluru Bubble B	Mrs Hulin

Key worker groups:

	Monday & Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday & Friday
Bubble A	Miss Modasia and Miss Miller	Mrs Nadin & Mrs Fenna	Miss Evans and Miss Moxham
	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday		Thursday & Friday
Bubble B	Miss Jones & Mrs Witherington		Mrs Stevens and Mrs Hobbs
	Monday & Tuesday	Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	
Bubble C	Miss Banks and Mrs Barton	Mrs Rouse and Miss Curnock	

Each bubble will have their own time and entry point for the start of the school day and the same again at the end of the school day. These are staggered to allow for social distancing to remain in place. Please only arrive at the given time and please do not be any later than the given time. This is to allow for social distancing and to allow each bubble to be able to enter school as safely and quickly as possible. Timings are as follows:

8.45a.m. Key worker Bubble A and B

Both bubbles will queue on the blue spots in the school car park (Wiltshire Avenue). A member of staff will let them onto the playground one at a time.

8.45a.m. Key Worker Bubble C

Bubble C will wait by the red door entrance opposite the Fernbrook building (normally used for the younger year groups). Blue spots on the floor show you where to queue.

8:45a.m. Tintagel and Loch Ness

Both classes will wait in the courtyard, there will be markers so you can wait at a social distance. The children will enter via the door in the middle of the courtyard that brings you in by Tintagel class.

8:55a.m. Year 6

Bubble A will queue outside Barrier Reef's door, markers will be placed to show the children where to wait. Bubble A children need to enter school alongside the forest.

Bubble B to queue outside Uluru's door, blue dots show the children where to wait. Bubble B children need to enter school via the carpark.

9.00a.m. Avebury and Uffington

Both classes will queue using the markers on the floor next to the courtyard door which is opposite the Year 2 classrooms (the door on the left of the courtyard as you walk in).

9.00a.m. Year 5 Bubble A , B and C

All bubbles will queue on the blue spots in the school car park (Wiltshire Avenue). A member of staff will let them onto the playground one at a time.

9.20a.m. Tiny Acorns and Little Ferns

Both groups will queue along the front of the nursery building, using the markers as guidelines.

Pick up points at the end of the school day will be from the same points, we ask that you follow social distancing rules whilst waiting for your child. The children will be released one at a time and this may take longer than normal end of school release so please bear this in mind.

Timings for picking your child up at the end of the day are:

2.30p.m. all Nursery children

3.00p.m. for all FS2 children and Year 5 children

3.10p.m. for all Key Worker groups

3.15p.m. for all Year 1 children

3.20p.m. for all Y6 children

If you have a sibling in a bubble with a different start time, we ask that you bring both children in at the later start time, please bring the sibling with the earlier start time to the main reception and we will take your child to their correct class. At the end of the day, we ask that you collect both children at the earlier end time. The sibling with the later finish time will be taken to the earlier sibling's exit point.

It is very important that you only arrive at school in time for your child's start/end of day time. It is also very important that you are not late at the start or the end of the day so that all bubbles can enter/exit school effectively and safely.

Please remember you won't be allowed inside the school building with your child so will have to say goodbye to them outside of the building/playground. Please talk your child at home about this so they are prepared. You will not be able to cross through the school grounds to get from one side of the building to another. We also ask that only one adult drops off and picks up to minimise the amount of people in one place.

To further support your child's return to school and the safety of all, we ask for the following points to be followed:

- 🌍 If the weather is nice your child will be outside at some point during the school day so please apply sun-cream on them before they come to school. If they are bringing suncream into school, they must be able to apply it themselves.
- 🌍 No parents to enter the school building and all parents will have limited access to the outside areas.
- 🌍 No children to arrive earlier than their start times and no child to be picked up late.
- 🌍 The school car parks at both sides of the school are not to be used by parents unless you have a disabled badge. This badge must clearly be on display.
- 🌍 We will not be allowing bikes and scooters to school from the children.
- 🌍 Markers on the ground will indicate where the children/parents need to wait.
- 🌍 Only one adult to bring their child to school and pick up.
- 🌍 Staff will not be in a position to have lengthy conversations with a parent.
- 🌍 If you need to speak to the school office please do so over the phone or by email, you will not be able to access the school office, other than to drop off a sibling.
- 🌍 Children must not bring any items in from home other than: lunchbox, water bottle, snack and sun hat/coat and suncream if needed. These items must be bought in individually and not in a school bag as they will be placed in individual baskets/drawers.
- 🌍 No items will be sent home from school, your child will have a book to read in school but this will not be coming home. We cannot accept any items from home either.
- 🌍 All children to wear school uniform (other than school shoes).
- 🌍 Your child will be doing PE, they will not be getting changed for PE and do not need to bring a PE kit in. We ask that your child always has sensible shoes on, these can be trainers.
- 🌍 The tuck shop and free fruit will not be available, if you would like your child to have a snack at morning play-time you will need to provide one from home. Please make sure it is a snack your child can open by themselves.
- 🌍 Lunches will be packed lunches only. Please make sure your child can open everything in their lunchbox by themselves.
- 🌍 Those children who are entitled to free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch. This is not universal free school meals. If your child is entitled to free school meals you can of course provide your own, I would kindly ask you let the office know if you are providing your own so we know how many lunches to prepare each day.
- 🌍 Please note the gate by the side of Fernbrook, which leads onto the main school playground, will not be opened.

I hope this letter helps provide you with the information you need as you prepare your child for returning to school.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support


Miss Liz Horrobin
Headteacher