

NEWSLETTER



5.9.20

Autumn term—Week 1

We have been so pleased to welcome you all back to Brindley Heath this week. Thank you so much for supporting school with the different timings and arrangements. So far, they have been working well, ensuring school is calm and safe. We are now looking at how we can reintroduce other aspects of school, more details of which will follow in this newsletter. I always feel proud to be able to lead a wonderful school and team, but I must say that the way the children have returned to school has been an absolute credit to both the school and to you. The 'new normal' has arrived. Although we still have aspects to work on and refine, it's been a really positive start.

Mr Martin

PE Days

Year 3— Wednesday

Year 4— Monday

Year 5— Friday

Year 6— Tuesday

On their allotted day, children will come to school ready for PE wearing dark jogging bottoms, their plain PE top and their school jumper or cardigan. It is really important that the children still look smart and



New Jumpers

Thank you for support our uniform jumper change—the children look SO smart! We have arrange for a photographer to come in to take pictures ready for our new website and also to update the images around school. School photographs will be taken later in the term, with an exact day to be announced shortly.



Before and After School Club

- **After school club** restarts next week, running initially to 5pm. The children will remain in their year group bubbles and will be dismissed from the front of school. Staff will bring all the children out to release them to parents through the side gate.
- **Before school club** will restart on Monday 14th September, from 7:30. Book information and details will be sent out next week.

We hope that these facilities will support working parents and also the drop off between Brindley and Foley.

Home Learning

We are required to be able to immediately instigate home learning for any families unable to attend school due to self isolation. We will be introducing the use of MS Teams to do this. MS Teams runs on different devices (Ipad/ Computer/ Android etc).



Similarly to our transition sessions, you will receive a set of terms and conditions to accept based around the safe use of this software, via ParentMail

We will be introducing the children to the software in school over the next few weeks, how to log in and how use it safely.

We will begin to use the platform to share information about your year group curriculum and weekly spellings.

Should the need arise, this is how we will share home learning with children, including hosting virtual lessons. Please look out for the ParentMail!

Gratitude

As part of our return to school, we have been discussing what we are thankful for. Here are a few examples from this week.

We are grateful for:

- “being back in my school family” “pretending to fly!” “creating my artwork”
“playing with my friends” “my new teachers” “our special school”
“running around on the playground really fast” “getting to know my new friend”
“my family” “coming back to school”

