



Wallace Fields Infant School & Nursery

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Wednesday 30th September 2020

Dear WFIS & Nursery Parents and Carers,

Preparation for Parents' Evening Autumn 2020

We are delighted to have welcomed back the children to WFIS & Nursery. They have settled in remarkable well to the new routines in place. Teachers, and the rest of the team, are working hard to support the children to catch up rapidly following the wider school closures. We are writing to you today to give you some feedback from our assessment weeks and to let you know the autumn term parent's evening arrangements as follows:

Feedback on assessment week

Year 1 and 2: The general feedback we can provide you is that the children have done well in their beginning of year assessments, and we are sure it will come as no surprise that overall it is clear there are some significant gaps in their knowledge and understanding as a result of the school closures. Therefore at the forthcoming parents' evening we will fully communicate any gaps identified for your child in an open and honest way and share with you the class strategies and additional interventions we are putting in place to support them. In contrast to previous years, especially in Year 1 and Year 2, we will be providing a few more home learning resources for maths so that you can support your child/ren outside of school, as this is one area we have identified where they need additional support and consolidation. We are sure you will appreciate the important way in which we can work together to assure the best possible outcomes for your child this academic year.

Nursery and Reception: The team have been busy carrying out baseline assessments of the children in 17 areas of learning. These areas are as follows: *Speaking, Understanding, Listening and Attention, Managing Feelings and Behaviour, Making Relationships, Moving and Handling, Physical Development, Writing, Reading, Number, Shape, Space and Measure, Being Imaginative, Exploring Media and Materials, Technology, The World and People and Communities.* From these assessments we have identified that there are some areas of learning that require additional focus. In Reception, we are particularly addressing children's reading, communication and fine and gross motor and maths skills and we will be asking for your support to read with your child everyday as well as carrying out any learning moments that are sent home by the class teachers.

Parents' Evening

Please note that if your child is identified as having Special Educational Needs, Mrs Pasley from the office team will be in contact with arrangements for discussions with the class teacher in the week of 12th October.

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Unfortunately, due to the current circumstances related to COVID19 and the protective measures we have in place, we are unable to welcome parents into the school building this term for our usual Parents' Evening. However please do not worry - this does not mean you will not have a Parents' Evening for your child. Instead, we will be conducting **Parents' Evening in a different format this autumn via a telephone call** to discuss how your child has settled into school, and for children in Year 1 and 2, their recent assessments.

Please see the table below to find out which day your child's Parents Evening will be held:

Class	Year Group	Date	Time
Big Stars*	Nursery	Monday 19 th October 2020 Tuesday 20 th October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Butterfly	Reception	Thursday 22 nd October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Bumblebee	Reception	Thursday 22 nd October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Hedgehog	Year One	Wednesday 21 st October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Badger	Year One	Wednesday 21 st October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Kingfisher	Year Two	Tuesday 20 th October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm
Owl	Year Two	Tuesday 20 th October 2020	2:00pm – 8:00pm

*Parents Evening in Nursery is for **Big Stars** children only this term. **Little Stars** children will have their settling in meeting after half term.

Arrangements for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

You will be able to book a **10 minute appointment** with your child's teacher **between 2.00pm until 8.00pm on your given parents' evening day**. We have started the appointments at the earlier time of 2.00pm to accommodate parents with end of school day pick up times. Parents' Evening bookings will need to be made on your **Arbor app**. **All bookings will open at 12 noon on Friday 1st October 2020 and close at 12noon on Friday 16th October 2020. Can we please ask ahead of this day that you ensure you can log in to Arbor, especially all our new families so that you have access to the Parents' Evening booking system as soon as it goes live.**

When booking your appointment, please can you ensure you add the telephone number you would like to be contacted on for the Parents' Evening call. Please note, if you fail to answer the call at your allotted time, please **DO NOT** call back, as this may affect the next appointment.

On **Friday 16th October 2020**, in preparation for the telephone appointment the following week, you will receive in your child's book bags a short report on their phonics knowledge, along with a paper copy of their targets.

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During the telephone appointment, the class teacher will introduce themselves to you and discuss how your child has settled into school. They will also talk through your child's targets for reading, writing and maths, along with the phonics phase they are working on and whether or not they are reading at home and using Reading Eggs. Teachers will also inform you about where your child is currently working, e.g. 'on track' or 'not on track' at this point of the year.

Arrangements for children in Big Stars

For Big Stars, please look in your child's book bag on **Thursday 30th September 2020** for a paper slip which will detail a time given to you by Miss Barron and Mrs Piercy (this time has had to be set to ensure your child's key person is available).

On **Friday 16th October 2020**, in preparation for your telephone appointment, you will receive a paper copy of your child's **next steps** in their book bag.

During the telephone appointment, the class teacher will introduce themselves to you and discuss how your child has settled into Nursery. They will also talk through your child's strengths across the areas of learning and share your child's next steps with you.

Missed calls

As with any Parents' Evening, teachers may be running early or a little late. Could we therefore advise parents to keep their telephones at their side in the 20 minutes before and after the scheduled call time. **If you miss the call**, it may not be possible to re-arrange for the same day. In such cases, please email the office on office@wallace-fields-infant.surrey.sch.uk to explain the situation and we will do our best to reschedule at another point.

Thank you for your on-going support of us as a school. We hope you will find the assessment information and subsequent teacher discussions beneficial in understanding how your child has settled into the new school year and how we will ensure your child makes good progress.

Kind regards,

Nicky Mann and Jamie Hallums

Co-Headteachers

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