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Dear Parents/Carers

Beginning and End of the School Day

I would like to thank you for ensuring that the arrangements for the beginning and end of the school day work effectively. As I have mentioned in my blog recently, I have often found it difficult to adapt and refrain from stopping to chat with parents as much as has been the case in the past. I apologise for the distance that this creates, but current circumstances dictate that we need to adapt our way of working. If you have questions or concerns about anything that you might otherwise mention at the school gate, please do let the office know and someone will get back to you.

Please ensure that all children stay close to you at the end of the day so that we can ensure that children stay in their year group bubble as much as possible. Please could we ask that children do not run on the way out of school, especially on the fire track by Foundation as this can be slippery. I would be grateful if you could pass this message on to all adults who collect your child on your behalf.

FOBPS Firework Celebrations

I know how much we have all enjoyed the FOBPS firework celebrations over recent years, so it is with much regret that I am confirming that they will not take place due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This is a decision that has been reached after much consultation between myself and the Chair of FOBPS, but it is ultimately my decision and as such please direct any observations about it to me.

School Flu Vaccination

This will be held in school on 16th November. Parents/Carers will have received an email on how to book your child's vaccination.

Home Learning

This will be set on the Seesaw platform that children used during lockdown. We need your permission for this and so would be grateful if you could reply to the form that has been sent to you via text

Secondary School Applications

The online application system is now live for secondary school applications for your Year 6 child. Visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions. The deadline for receipt of secondary school applications is 31st October 2020.

Harvest Celebration

This year we will be unable to celebrate Harvest with a Church Service. We will still be celebrating Harvest and each class will create a video that we will send to parents to view. We need your permission for this and so would be grateful if you could reply to the form that has been sent to you via text.

Certificates and Badges

These will continue to be awarded and will be presented in class. Names of those children who have received awards will appear in future newsletters.

Attendance

Yesterday (Thursday) our school attendance was more than 97%. At any time this would be a high figure but in present circumstances is excellent. Thank you for your part in ensuring that the level of attendance is so high.

Kind regards
M Ingall
Headteacher