



FAMILY NEWSLETTER

11th September 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

It was lovely to see the pupils and young people returning to our schools this week. Considering quite a number had not come into our school buildings for a few months, the transition back into the settings went very well. Seeing their friends again made such a difference! The pupils had a busy week in class and senior leaders have already seen some great learning taking place.

As you know, we are taking the temperatures of pupils and staff on a daily basis and you will receive a call to collect your child if they register a temperature of above 37.8°C, or if they are displaying Covid-19 symptoms. Please **do not** send your child into school if they have Covid-19 symptoms. If you need a test, we have been advised the local Covid-19 test centres release their timeslots at 7 am each day. Tests must be negative before your child can return to school but if you choose not to test your child, they must refrain from school for 10 days and as their parent, you need to self-isolate for 14 days.

Parents' Evening – For those of you yet to meet your teacher for this academic year, you will have an opportunity to do so week commencing 14th of September. Letters are being sent home today (Friday) offering either a phone call or a virtual online meeting eg via Skype. Please complete and return the slip to your class teacher asap. Your teacher will confirm your selected appointment via the Home:School diary.

Coats - Pupils across all our sites are allocated time to access the fresh air for play and outdoor learning sessions. Please could you ensure your child comes into school with a jacket or coat suitable for the Autumn weather.

Year 6 letter from 0-25 SEN Team – The 0-25 Team has sent a letter to all families of Year 6 pupils regarding their Secondary School choice. As Bidwell Brook and Ellen Tinkham educate pupils from Primary age right through to FE, your child will not move school unless you make a request. If you wish your child to remain at one of our schools for their Secondary education, please state this on the form sent by the 0-25 Team and return it in the envelope supplied by them.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacqui Warne".

Jacqui Warne – Executive Head