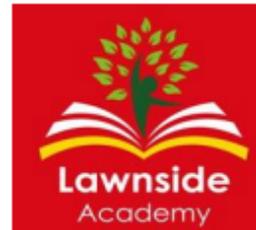


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Dear Parents / Carers,

I wanted to start by saying a heartfelt 'thank you' and 'well done'. It has been a genuine delight to see the children back in school in large numbers. We have been so impressed by the children; they have adapted well to all aspects of our new way of school life and totally taken it all in their stride. Thank you also to you for your feedback and supportive words and emails. They really do keep us going.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new families in Reception and around the school. Welcome to Lawnside and we are sure that your children will be very happy here.

Just a few requests and reminders please:

1. If you have boys, please can you remind them of the need to flush the toilet after they have used it.
2. Please can I remind you all to maintain appropriate social distancing, any time you are in or around the school grounds. If you need to speak to a member of Staff, please email or telephone us to make an appointment or pass a message on via any member of Staff you see on the playground. We will zone the playground in the morning and afternoon for Oak and Sycamore bubbles to hopefully make it easier for you and your children to stay within their bubble, as we do throughout the day.
3. Please do not stay and chat with other parents in the playground or outside the front entrance. Please don't bring your children early, just deliver/collect and go please.
4. We are not currently using the Pirate Ship and/or the Trim Trail in school due to us not being able to clean it between each bubble's use. Please can I request that you do not let your children play on either of them before and after school.
5. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are all provided with a morning fruit/vegetable snack. We are happy for you to provide your own snack (Reception to Year 4) however please can we ask that this is limited to fruit and vegetables only.

6. Please can you also keep talking to your children about the importance of cleaning their hands thoroughly, more often than usual, and good respiratory hygiene; promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.

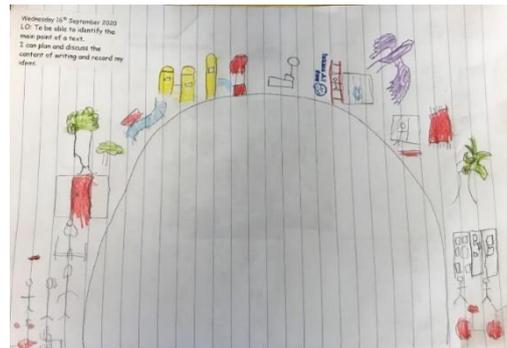
I am sure that most of you are aware that, due to demand for places and it not being financially viable, Dawn until Dusk are no longer providing Breakfast and After-School care for Lawnside families. I understand and acknowledge that this is causing difficulties for a number of families and that we need to find a solution. I will be writing to you separately; to understand the demand for places and/or timings etc. and we can then move forwards with trying to find a new provider, if the demand for places makes it financially viable.

Finally, we are saying goodbye to both Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Kimberley. Mrs. Bell has worked at Lawnside since 2015 and Mrs. Kimberley since 2007. Both of these ladies will be massively missed by everyone at Lawnside and I know that you will all join me in wishing them both all the very best for their future endeavours. We have advertised for a Family Support Worker and a number of Teaching Assistants and I will keep you updated as and when we have any new Staff joining us.

Yours sincerely



Cheryl Johnson
Principal



William – Rowan Class

BEST part-funded us some new external doors during the summer holiday and the children in Cherry class and Lime class are making the most of being able to learn outside in their new outdoor area. Please feel free to come and have a look.

In my next newsletter, I will share all of the other exciting outdoor projects which you may have noticed around school.

