

# Sparsholt C. E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

Firstly, I really hope you have all had a lovely Summer and have been able to enjoy the many freedoms returned to us. We are all really looking forward to welcoming you and your children into our school community and I just wanted to send you a reminder about the arrangements for the start of term.

## Arrangements for your child's first week at school

The children's first day at school will be on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

**Arrangements for the first week will be as follows:**

Date:	Drop off time	Location	Pick Up time	Location
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am	Front Gate	11.30am	Front Gate
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	9.15am	Front Gate	11.30am	Front Gate
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Front Gate	1.00pm	Front Gate
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Front Gate	1.00pm	Front Gate
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Front Gate	3.30pm	Front Gate

### **Lunch provision:**

Children in Year R will need to bring lunch from **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September** onwards. Children can bring a packed lunch from home or can order a hot meal from the school kitchen **free of charge.**

***From Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021, children will be in school fulltime.***

## Arrangements from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

**Drop off:** Year R Pupils can arrive between **8.50am and 9.00am**

Class	Entrance gate	Drop off times
Willow	Front Gate	8.50am to 9.00am

***To build independence, parents are requested to leave children at the gate where an adult will be waiting to greet them.***

**Pick Up:** All children will finish at **3.30pm**

Class	Collection Point	Collection times
Willow	Front Gate	3.30pm



## **Parking**

We ask that parents using the car park, park considerately and drop off and pick up as quickly as possible. Please avoid blocking other users in and ideally park considerately in Woodman Close and walk up to avoid congestion.

## **Lunch Arrangements**

Hot lunches will be available from the school kitchen and will be served in the hall. These are free of charge for all children in KS1. Children who opt to bring in packed lunches will also eat in the hall. KS1 will eat at 12.00pm with KS2 eating at 12.30pm.

## **PE**

From **Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021** children will wear their PE kits into school on the days they have PE.

PE Days for Willow class are **Mondays** and **Wednesdays**:

### **PE Kits are**

- Black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms (non-branded)
- Light blue school PE T-shirt
- Navy blue school PE hoodie (optional)
- Trainers/plimsolls

## **Bags**

Due to the limited space we have in school, we need to request that children refrain from bringing large bags into school. Instead we request that children bring book bags only into school, along with their lunchboxes and water bottles.

## **Uniform**

All children will need to be in full school uniform including appropriate school shoes. (Trainers should not be worn).

## **Covid-19 Protocols**

You will be pleased to know that many of the restrictions that schools have had to operate under have now been removed, however we will continue with hygiene protocols including regular and thorough handwashing and ensuring classrooms remain well ventilated.

As parents, we ask that you remain very vigilant for symptoms of Covid-19 and that children are **NOT** brought into school if they or any family members are exhibiting symptoms until PCR tests are undertaken. We do ask that parents do not rely solely on Lateral flow tests if people are displaying Covid-19 symptoms as Government guidance states that PCR tests should be used for those exhibiting symptoms due to their increased efficacy.

In addition, to try to reduce the risk of transmission from those showing no symptoms, we would ask that families undertake biweekly lateral flow tests as recommended by the Government.

If children are absent from school due to Covid-19 related issues we will provide remote education for them per our remote education policy.

## **Illness**

If children are unwell for any reason, they should not be brought into school even if their symptoms are not Covid-19 related and should only return when they are well enough to do so.

## **Office**

The office staff have found that communication with parents via email and telephone has been very successful over lockdown in regards to admin related requests etc. and have asked that parents continue with this if possible. If however you do need to come to the office in person, they have requested that you please wear a mask.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or queries about the above information and we will see you all on Monday morning at 9.15am at the front gate.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty