



Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Welcome back everyone,

This is a letter to all the parents and carers and wonderful children of Jennett's Park. Thank you for making the last half term run so smoothly. Before we start back on Monday and build up to the next half term (which is in anyone's normal year 'hectic') I wanted to stop and say how much we appreciate you working with us. It was a rollercoaster at some points these past two months but we know we could count on you to support us and cheerlead on from the sides.

I've told you again and again how proud I am to lead the staff team and work with the Governors at Jennett's Park CE. They are genuinely dedicated and determined to do the best. It means a lot to the staff to hear the 'well done's' and 'thank you's' you give. I've regularly shared comments given and emails of thanks to them - they keep us buoyed. Everyone in life deserves a well done right now.

Well done to those who dropped donations to our harvest appeal or to the impromptu collection points for feeding children over the holidays. Marcus Rashford is a hero of mine. There are children who would have gone hungry without this help. If you or your family begin to struggle get in contact ASAP. We will do all we can.

Your children have quite frankly been a joy to be with, giving energy and drive to us all. Schools are odd places empty and even more bizarre when half full. Focusing on our Rainbow values and Owl skills really helps us to look to what is most important- that we enable them to flourish and achieve under God's love. They make us proud when they say they need a hand or when they have the courage to ask to go over something again. Adapting to changes is one of the hardest things to do especially if the pace is as fast as we have had.

We will continue to do everything we can to help close any gaps the pandemic has created but we are so excited about the progress seen so far. By the end of the week you will see the routes we've chosen in better detail. The government urges us to not narrow down our curriculum and I can assure you we certainly don't.

If we do have a confirmed case of Covid in school we will contact you in one of two ways: either to let you know your child is a contact and needs to isolate or that they aren't. We won't divulge identity of those who have a case. As with all education settings we will be guided by public health guidance in all circumstance.

Again, a huge thank you to those who email us suggestions on improvements. We can't take them all on board but I promise they are all looked at. We are keeping things under constant review.

Attached again is the message from 13th October about dropping off and collecting. Even more important now the rate is rising again locally and nationally:

Most mornings and most evenings we have around 1000 people to manage in and out. We have taken to slowing down the flows on entry to help space things on doors. Please keep a decent space between yourself and others.



Remember hands, face, space to help us all.

Please take your temperature at home before you leave. Taking this on the gate significantly slows entry but we reserve the right to reintroduce this.

- We have a gate opening time of 8:35-8:40 in the morning. Please do not feel you have to arrive then! We do that so you can slowly arrive and drop off for the morning. Gates close at 9:05. We have dropped the specific year group times for entry as everyone has different things to do!
- Breakfast club runs for those who need even earlier drop offs.
- At the end of the day gates open for 2:55. Children can be collected from 3:00 from EYFS/ KS1 and start to be collected by 3:10 in older years. Please be patient and space yourself on collection. Those walking home are released at 3:15
- It is as always your choice to wear a mask on site outdoors. There are people who cannot wear one for medical reasons.
- Please keep to one adult on site. There are people who have to bring others onsite for medical reasons or as their child has educational needs. Please be understanding of this and let us know if you fit into these categories so we can support you.

Drop off quickly and move off site.

- To help we have today moved the benches so they are not close to sit near the doors. Please leave enough space so that others can move past you. The Year 1 entry space is particularly congested at points so be aware and let others pass.
- We allow children in Year 4 to be able to exit to meet parents outside the gates. Year 5 & 6 can walk home. No child will be released without signed permission

The only addition to this is:

- When walking around site and on way out please keep children with you. They often don't remember to space.

Remember if you need to talk to a member of staff you can as always ring or email secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk for a mutually convenient time.

A few things to remind you of/ let you think about for the next half term.

The book fair is on virtually this week. Details in newsletter. <https://www.jennettspark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Newsletter-23.10.20.pdf>

We are trialling offering nursery spaces to be booked from this week. We know many are struggling on this front. With many nursery's closing we wanted to offer this to as many of you that need it. Details in newsletter.

Parents evening is this week. We're trialling video software through our normal booking channels. Please contact us if you need help. secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk

Parent forum starts again on 9th November. Email [secretary@](mailto:secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk) for joining codes.



We are holding our sponsored walk in school and a raffle at the end of the month in honour of Theo Moss. Details on the newsletter <https://www.jennettpark.bracknell-forest.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Newsletter-23.10.20.pdf> if you know of anyone who can offer a prize big or small let us know. secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk

Is it too early to mention the C word? We'll let you know ASAP how we'll be running Christmas events. We obviously can't have everyone in as we normally love to do! There isn't a Xmas fair this year but we want to share the spirit of the season with all of you. We'll hold our reverse advent again and will send you details.

Lastly, thank you to all of those who took part in the PTA scarecrow trail. It was a really good turn out and some brilliant entries made by those who took part!

Stay safe & see you on the gate



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Reminder that our office Email address has changed to

secretary@jennetts.bonitas.org.uk

