



Joy Lane Primary School

A Love of Learning, for Life, for All

Oyster Bay Nursery & Oysters SRP (ASD)

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Monday 7th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome you back for Term 6 in the glorious sunshine this morning - and it looks like the fine, sunny weather is here to stay! Bearing this in mind, please may I remind you to ensure that your child arrives at School with their water bottle and sunhat, having had sun cream applied. Our site management team will endeavour to ensure that we have additional shade/gazebos available for when children undertake outdoor activities and these will be available for the year group bubbles.

Click [here](#) to read our Safety in the Sun Policy.

COVID-19 Risk Assessments

Please be assured that we continue to review our risk assessments in line with any Government/Local Authority/NHS or Professional Associations advice; additionally, regular discussions are held with our local Schools within the Coastal Alliance Co-operative Trust (CACoT). Unfortunately, during the last two weeks there have been confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in children across the Canterbury district; we have had two confirmed cases within our School although we do not need to take any action at this point as the symptoms started during the half-term break. As a reminder, if your child displays any symptoms of COVID-19, or has a temperature, please make sure they do not attend school and you book a PCR test.

Due to the ongoing uncertainty of the roadmap out of COVID-19, our Governors are in support of a consistent approach to current arrangements and have agreed to continue our early closure on a Friday until the end of term 6; as a reminder, we offer childcare between 1.30pm and 3.15pm for our parent/carer community if you are working or have an appointment and, as usual, offer our paid-for After-School club which runs from 3.15pm until 6pm. As previously communicated, the Teachers conduct their planning and assessment during Friday afternoon, whilst our support staff care for and provide activities for the children. We also amended our school day so that all children receive their hours of educational entitlement which the local authority has approved. If all goes as the Government expects, in September 2021, we will be able to remove our protective measures (year group bubbles) so that all staff and children can move freely around the school and Teachers and Staff can enter each other's classrooms without the possibility of transmission.

Happy News

The stork has been very busy delivering to our Staff at Joy Lane during our mid-term break. A baby boy was delivered to Mrs Ansley, a baby girl delivered to Miss Longhorn, and today, a baby boy was delivered to Mrs Pearce! The babies and their parents are doing very well, and I am sure you will join me in sending them all our very best wishes at this happy time.

With kind regards,

DJ Hines

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Executive Headteacher



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