



William Penn Newsletter September 4th 2020

Welcome to William Penn

Welcome to the new school year at William Penn School. Everyone in school hopes that you and your family have had the best summer possible. It has been fantastic to see so many of our pupils in school and also to welcome new families to William Penn. The children have shown maturity and flexibility with new routines and systems which has made the return to school so much more straight-forward. We know that this term will not be the same as usual and we will do our very best to advise you of changes of routine and practice in good time. Please continue to be understanding as we deal with the changing picture of priorities and guidance, sometimes at short notice. Our priorities will always be the safety, well-being and educational provision for your children – in the widest possible sense and within our caring and nurturing environment.

Welcome Meetings

We usually start this term with 'Welcome Meetings' where parents are invited to meet the teachers, receive information on systems and routines and to ask any questions. This term, instead of these meetings, we will be sending this information out to you in the form of a letter from the class teachers. Please look out for this in your in boxes next week.



Red Books and Communication

With regard to questions and communication generally, our red Home/School Contact books are not currently in operation as part of our safety precautions. We are keen, however, not to lose the ability to pass information back and forth in a simple and timely fashion.

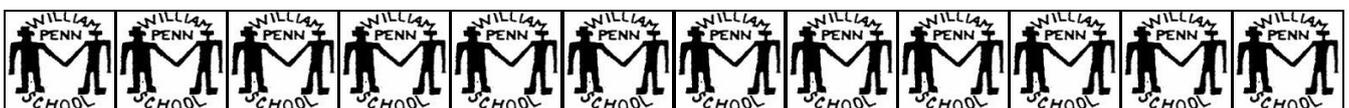
Therefore, if you have any questions about the children's work or class based issues, please email the class teacher using their school email address. This is also the route to take if you have a quick message for the class teacher. Where your child has two teachers, please email and whichever is working will be the one that will get back to you.

Some useful email addresses are:

kpassfield@williampenn.co.uk
genticnap@williampenn.co.uk
sphillips@williampenn.co.uk
rsillett@williampenn.co.uk
speters@williampenn.co.uk
aconstable@williampenn.co.uk



For general questions to do with the way that that the school works and any issues not specifically related to children's learning, please email the school office on office@williampenn.co.uk





Staff will monitor their email addresses during their normal working hours and will get back to you as soon as possible. This may not be by return, so please also use the office email above for any urgent matters.

We will continue to use the telephone to advise of any head bumps and will do our very best to advise of any bumps or grazes at pick up in the afternoon.

Also, it is crucial that the school office is advised if there are any changes to pick up arrangements, such as anyone new is picking up a child, as we are unable to release children without parental permission. This does include parents of other pupils in school.

Staff News

Congratulations to Miss Buckfield who was married in the summer and is now Mrs Henderson. We wish her and her family very best wishes for the future. We also send our best wishes to Ms Lipscombe as she will not be in school for a few weeks. We welcome Mrs Spencer and then Mrs Groves, who have both worked at William Penn in the past, during this time.

Safeguarding Update – Help Us to Keep Your Children Safe

Arrangements for Picking up Children from School

Thank you for joining us with trialling a new system for picking up children tonight. We were much happier with the way that you were able to collect the children and hope that you were too. Whilst we will continue to tweak, we will carry on with this procedure at this moment in time.

Parking

Please be respectfully reminded that the start of term can be a tricky time for our school neighbours and the volume of cars and parking rises dramatically. In order to help maintain good relations and, crucially, to make the environment as safe as possible, please avoid parking across driveways – even for the shortest amount of time. Thank you



Pupil Achievements

If you have any pupil achievements that you would like mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail the office: office@williampenn.co.uk

