



Oakhurst Community First & Nursery
School
*'From Little Acorns Mighty Oaks
Grow'*

23rd February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will be aware by now that schools are going to re-open to all pupils from Monday 8th March. We are delighted with this news as being in school is absolutely the best thing for the children from an academic, emotional and social point of view.

The guidance has been reviewed and updated, but from a Primary point of view there has been very little change. Therefore, we will be following the same systems and procedures that were in place during the Autumn term (we will send reminder of start and finish times later next week).

Just to make you aware, the guidance does state that attendance is mandatory and that schools are expected to follow up on any unexplained absences.

Breakfast Club and After School Club will be fully open, so please contact the school office if you wish to book a place.

Hot school meals can be ordered, and we would like to remind you that the cut-off point for ordering meals for w/c Monday 8th March is Sunday 24th February 2021. If your child has not been attending school during the current lockdown any meals ordered will have been cancelled by Chartwells. To ensure your child receives hot meals from Monday 8th March please ensure you login to your child's account on the MealSelector website and book their meals.

If your child has been attending school during the current lockdown, meals have been arranged up until Friday 5th March. Please ensure you log into your child's account to order meals for Monday 8th March onwards.

The menu has changed since January so please check you are happy with your meal choices and make any changes as required. If you do not order meals by Sunday 24th February you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch when they return to school on Monday 8th March. The website link: <https://dorset.mealselector.co.uk/>

Next Friday (5th March) the teachers will be planning a slightly 'different' day for your children at home and won't be teaching their live zoom sessions. This is so they can spend the day in school to make sure that their classrooms are organised and ready to go on Monday 8th March.

During the first few days we will be settling the children back and identifying where they are with their learning. As per usual at this time of year, the parental consultations will take place in the next few weeks, via phone, where we will be able to discuss next steps and any catch-up work and intervention that will take place

Thank you so much for working so closely with us during this time, you have all done an amazing job under very challenging circumstances!

We are really, really, REALLY looking forward to welcoming you all back.

Very kind regards

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