

PRIMET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents or Carers,

I am writing to you all to thank our parents and carers for the way the children have come back into school. We have had a great week and all the children are ready to learn and are excited at being back in school. Staff are delighted to have everyone back and are ready for the term ahead. The whole staff team is making every effort to settle the children in all the classes whilst also focusing on teaching and learning for the children. Everyone has settled into the new expectations for social distancing and are happy with the new routines and timetables. It is great to see that many children are here at school at 8.35am so they can come straight into school and complete their morning maths. Please encourage your children to be here at 8.35am as completing morning maths makes a real difference to the children's attainment.

As a school we understand that the children and families have had very different experiences during lockdown and we are providing support for all children in a variety of ways. We want to reduce the negative impact lockdown has had on the children, we explain the facts to them and provide practical support to allow them to make sense of their concerns and develop a way of coping.

Here at Primet Primary School we have various interventions and support for the children to access in order to promote emotional well-being and to build resilience. These include;

PHSRE

Within each class, teachers will be ensuring that pupils receive further emotional support through PHSRE lessons (Personal, Health, Social & Religious Education). This will support children in their integration back into school life and allow for group discussions about the many feelings and emotions each of them may have and may continue to experience.

WORRY BOX

At Primet Primary School we believe that children will learn best when they are free from worries. In order to support all our children who have a worry or a concern about anything, we have installed a Worry Box in the main hall and within individual classrooms. Every child can share a worry in confidence by posting a note in one of the Worry Boxes.

ELSA

ELSAs are Emotional Literacy Support Assistants. Primet Primary School have teaching assistants who have received specific additional training from educational psychologists and then continue to receive ongoing supervision following the training. Their role is to support children and young people in school to understand and regulate their own emotions whilst also respecting the feelings of those around them.

FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER

Miss Tyson is available throughout the day for any child to approach and speak with regarding any uncomfortable emotions or feelings they may be experiencing.

Together we care, believe, learn and achieve.

Direct work sessions are offered to educate pupils on mental health and strategies are practised to promote the young person's confidence in dealing with their emotions in a healthy way.

If you would like further information or feel that your child may require emotional support for any reason, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Tyson (Family Support Worker).

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We have many new children starting at school this term in addition to our new Year Reception Children and we have fewer and fewer places available. If you know anybody who is looking to change school or needs a school place, please contact the office as soon as possible.

Breakfast Club has also started again. You must book a place in advance if you want your child to attend Breakfast Club. Please contact the office to book a place.

Unfortunately our after school clubs are on hold at the moment as we cannot mix classes. Until this advice changes we are struggling to organize after school activities due to social distancing restrictions.

Our website has all information regarding changes made within school. If you have any queries or need any information or guidance, please check the website. Teaching staff have updated the class pages so you can find out what each class teacher is expecting with regards to homework, PE and home reading.

Although we are unable to hold Whole School Assembly on a Friday, we are holding class assemblies where the children will be praised for their excellent attitude and individuals are rewarded with a Head Teacher Certificate or a Special Award. We will share the names of those awarded a certificate on our newsletters which will start next week.

Lastly, I would like to say it is great to have every one back in school learning and working hard and we are all excited about the new school year.

Yours faithfully



Christopher Holmes
Head teacher