

# Beecholme Newsletter 11th September, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

## WELCOME BACK!

It has been lovely seeing all of you again. We also met our new Parents/Carers and children who have joined our school this year. We do hope you have a very happy time with us.

I am so impressed with how the children have settled back smoothly into school and are following the routines exceptionally well. We are regularly monitoring and adapting the routines to keep everyone safe. Please read the reminders listed in this newsletter.

Thank you to everyone who have returned their child's signed behaviour contract regarding COVID-19. I ask that you please discuss it with your children. Health and Safety is paramount at Beecholme so we all need to work together to keep our Beecholme family safe.

We are very pleased with 'Seesaw' and have had positive feedback from parents during 'Lockdown'. Therefore, we have decided to continue using it for our homework this year. Details will be sent out next week and your children will receive a new 'Home Learning Code' so they can access the system. Also, look out for the Curriculum Map presentation and the 'Science Day' project next week on 'Seesaw.'

Thank you for your continued support. Here's to a great year!

Best wishes,

Mrs Phyllis Sternberg

## Reminders

- ◆ Please stand on 'distance spots' with your children when you drop them off in the morning
- ◆ 'Drop and Go' so there is no congestion
- ◆ Keep walking on the left
- ◆ Parking restrictions are starting soon
- ◆ Don't send in bags or equipment from home
- ◆ Your child should have a named water bottle in school every day
- ◆ Children wear PE kit to school on the days they have PE (Physical Education)

## Uniform

Please make sure that your children are wearing the correct school uniform which includes black school shoes.

They also need to wear the correct P.E. kit for P.E. which includes plimsolls or trainers on the days they have P.E. Please check the website if you are unsure.



## Attendance and Punctuality

School attendance is mandatory from the beginning of the term. We will be monitoring attendance and punctuality with our Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) regularly.

Thank you to those families who always make sure that their children attend school regularly and on time. Evidence shows that attendance has a direct link with attainment.

The school will continue to report on attendance and punctuality which will be shared with you regularly in the newsletters. Our aim this year is to improve on last year's results and aim for **97%**. The school will continue to use 'Penalty' notices for **unauthorised absences**. If the case warrants a fine, it will be **per parent, per child**.

## Wrap Around Care at Beecholme-'Little Acorns'

Little Acorns is managed by Miss Donna Keenan.

The times that your children can attend are:

**7.45-8.45 a.m. and 3.30-5.55p.m.**

If you would like more information look on the website or you can collect the forms from the office.



## Should I Send My Child to School With a Cold?

Currently, parents have been advised only to take their child out of school if they are suffering any of the three main symptoms of Covid namely, a new or continuous cough, a high temperature, and a loss of sense of taste or smell. However, typical symptoms of a cold, such as a runny nose, are not considered to be symptoms of Covid - and therefore, if your child has these symptoms the general advice is that it's okay for them to go to school as long as they feel well enough.

However, if your child does feel unwell with a cold or has a fever, the NHS advises that you should keep them off school until they feel better.