



Newsletter

Issue No 16,

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start it has been to the new school year. It has been so great to see everyone back, smartly presented in their uniforms and ready to learn. Our return to school has obviously been helped by the tremendous weather too!

Thank you for your support with all the measures in place and with our first event of the year 'Roald Dahl Day' - the children looked amazing and were so engaged in learning about such an inspirational author.

We now need your help to move into the next stage managing the Covid pandemic. We are adhering to all Local Authority and National Guidance - for more information on this, access to the risk assessment and Covid outbreak planning please see our website. You will also find there a wealth of support materials for you and your family to access.

You can find the key changes for the coming weeks summarised below:

Mitigating Factors	Current arrangements	New Arrangements phased in from 20.9.21 (during this period we ask parents to begin to adjust to the new arrangements which will be fully in place by 27.9.21)
Drop off and pick up times	Staggered drop off between 8:40 - 9:00 am Staggered collection times 3:10 and 3:30pm	Staggered drop of between 8:45 - 8:55am Staggered collection times - 3:20- 3:30pm
Friday collection arrangements	Collection 2:10-2:30pm	Collection 2:20- 2:30pm
One way system	Enter through main school gate and exit through the Ash Path Gate	No Change
Social distancing	Parents to exit site promptly after collection and drop off. Maintain social distancing of 2m	Parents to exit site promptly after collection and drop off. Maintain social distancing of 1m
PE Day arrangements	Pupils come into school in sports clothing on their PE Day	Children to attend school in PE in-line with the school uniform policy.
Mask wearing	All parents/ Carers encouraged to wear face coverings on site.	Mask wearing is at individual discretion however, if attending a meeting on site you will be requested to wear a mask. (This may change in line with national and local guidance)
Water bottles	Children need a filled water bottle each day in school - these can be refilled on site	No Change



Items needed in school	Pupils need to bring their book bag, lunch if applicable. No other items. No other personal items are permitted.	No change
Bubbles	Pupils in class bubbles with individual	Bubbles - Year R bubble Year 1 and 2 Bubble Year 3 Bubble Year 4 and 5 Bubble Year 6 Bubble
Personal hygiene	All bubbles have separate toilets. Children encouraged regularly to wash their hands and use hand sanitiser. No shared equipment where possible. Shared equipment must be sanitised between usages.	No Change
Enhanced cleaning measures.	Enhanced cleaning measures in place including a deep clean on Friday.	No Change

Next week there will be further information on how schools deal with positive cases – information on this can be found on the website.

You may have noticed the structure on the front playground which is housing our temporary swimming pool. We are delighted to share that the swimming is going marvellously well – the children are really enjoying and are already noticing their own progress and increased fitness levels. Whilst this has been implemented as a 'catch up programme' for this year it is something that we are hoping to continue next academic year – thank you for your support in providing the children with their equipment.

At this time of the year, we usually hold a bake off event to support Macmillan however, due to Covid restrictions we are unable to do this. We have decided to hold a fund raising event and invite children to wear yellow (the Macmillan Daffodil colour) or their favourite cake colour to school on Friday 24th of September in exchange for a donation of 50p-£1. All monies collected will be donated directly to the Macmillan charity.

If you need our help or assistance with anything at all, please contact the school – in the meantime – have a wonderful weekend.

Yours Sincerely

Jules Hall

Head Teacher



Please can we remind all parents/carers to be considerate for our resident neighbours and also be vigilant on the roads around school during drop off and collection.



Dates for your diary

<u>Date 2021</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thursday 23 rd September	Flu Jab- Reception to Year 6
Friday 24 th September	Macmillan
10 th October	Mental Health Day
Tuesday 12 th October	School Photos for whole school
Monday 18 th October	Parents Evening
Friday 22 nd October	Teacher Training Day-School Closed for all children.

Thrive activities of the month - September 2021

Each month we will send home a fun, creative activity for you and your child/ren to engage in together. Play releases lots of good chemicals that help us feel calm, steady and connected.

This month's activity is...

Make a den

- Look for sticks and branches.
- Find logs.
- Hunt for interesting things to put in your den.





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Whitley Academy Open Evening 23rd September 2021 at 6pm



High quality relationships are at the heart of everything we do at Whitley Academy.

We are extremely proud of our strong sense of community where every learner is nurtured to ensure that they are happy, confident, curious and resilient, leaving school prepared for their next steps in education.

We look forward to welcoming you on the evening.

You are invited to:

Meet the Headteacher Mrs Wright and the CEO of Finham Park Multi-Academy Trust Mr Bailie at 7.00pm-7.20pm followed by a guided tour





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Special Coventry Blaze Ticket Offer:

Adult £12 Under-16 £7
Per-ticket, per-game. Normal price £19 and £11

Wednesday 15th September vs. Manchester Storm
at 7.30pm (pre-season)

Sunday 19th September vs. Guildford Flames
at 5.30pm (Challenge Cup)

Saturday 25th September vs. Fife Flyers
at 7pm (Elite League opener)

Skydome Arena, Croft Rd, Coventry CV1 3AZ

To book, complete the online form at:
tinyurl.com/blazearebackpromo

Or scan the QR code.

Collect and pay for the tickets (in cash) on the night of the game.

Questions? Email us: coventryblazehockey@gmail.com

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