



### MESSAGE FROM MRS KEANE, HEADTEACHER

Welcome back to our new school year. I hope you all had a restorative summer and managed to enjoy some quality time together as a family.

I am currently having to adapt my working pattern, as I support my Mum through the final phase of her terminal illness. You will understand this is an extremely challenging time for me; both personally and professionally. Therefore, should you need to communicate with a member of the Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) please continue to do so through the School Office; but be aware that for the next few weeks it will be either Mrs. Gardiner (Deputy Head) or Miss Rising (Assistant Head) who are likely to assist you.

### AMENDMENT TO PE DAYS

It has been necessary to make a change to the PE days for some year groups. Please refer to page 2 of this newsletter.

### CLASSROOM VISITS – FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

As part of the easing of restrictions due to COVID it has been a real pleasure to see parents back on the playground this week.

We would like to invite you in to see your child's classroom at the end of their day/session on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September**. Specific timings will follow next week.

### RAISING A CONCERN

In terms of raising concerns please ensure that in the first instance you always refer to your child's Class Teacher, and then the respective Phase Leader, before trying to make an appointment with a SLT member. Our process for dealing with concerns and complaints has a strict hierarchical order that must be followed.

For your information our Phase Leaders are:

Early Years	Miss Rising
KS1	Mr Farrant
Years 3 & 4	Mrs Lacourarie (Wed, Thurs, Fri)
Years 5 & 6	Mr Boshier

### BIKES / SCOOTERS

We have limited storage facilities for bikes/scooters – these can be found towards the back of the school near the rear entrance doors.

Bikes/Scooters **must not** be used in the playground (this includes the bridge). We need all parents/carers to support us with this rule in order to prevent accidents occurring.

### SCHOOL TIMES

Reception, Years 1 & 2	8:55 am to 3:05 pm
Years 3 to 6	8:55 to 3:15 pm

### ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

#### Reception, Years 1 and 2

The Grove gate will open from **8:45 to 8:55 am** (this allows for learning to start promptly at 9:00). Parents will follow 'The Track' and accompany their child to where they enter the building.

#### Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to 6)

KS2 children ONLY can be dropped off at 'The Orchard Entrance' between **8:45 to 8:55am** (this allows for learning to start promptly at 9:00).

### STAFFING UPDATE

Mr Boshier is imminently awaiting the safe arrival of his first child, which means that from that point he will be on Paternity Leave; Mrs Lacourarie will be covering his class in his absence.

### ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022

In lieu of the **Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday** falling in the Summer half term, as advised by Surrey County Council, all schools have been authorised to take an additional bank holiday during term time. We will therefore finish for the Autumn half term on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021; **the school will be closed on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**.

#### Autumn Term 2021

1<sup>st</sup> September to 17<sup>th</sup> December  
Half Term 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October

#### Spring Term 2022

4<sup>th</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> April  
Half Term 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February

#### Summer Term 2022

19<sup>th</sup> April to 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
(children's last day is Friday 15<sup>th</sup>)  
Half Term 30<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June

#### Inset Days

18<sup>th</sup> July  
19<sup>th</sup> July  
20<sup>th</sup> July  
21<sup>st</sup> July  
22<sup>nd</sup> July

### END OF THE DAY

Children must only be brought to and collected from school by an adult over the age of 16.

Please arrive promptly and wait for your child in the playground.

The playground must be cleared by 3:30pm when the gates will close.

It is essential that you inform the class teacher if somebody else is to collect your child. Adults not named as an emergency contact will not be allowed to take anybody else's child home, before the school has verified this arrangement with the parents. Parents must inform the school of any changes to arrangements.

We are fully aware that there can be valid reasons where a parent/carer is unavoidably delayed at the end of the school day. On these occasions families should always seek to make alternative arrangements.



Children are to arrive at school in PE Kit on their allocated PE days		
Nursery	Monday	Friday
Reception	Monday	Friday
Year 1	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 2	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 3	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 4	Thursday	Friday
Year 5	Thursday	Friday
Year 6	Wednesday	Friday

Please note, PE kit will be viewed strictly as 'Uniform' and therefore other adaptations of PE kit, not shown on our list, will not be allowed. T-Shirts and Fleeces with the Ewell Grove Logo and plain black short/joggers are essential. Children must keep a Ewell Grove drawstring PE bag in school, to keep their raincoats and fleeces safe for use during the school day.

**Glasses on PE Days** - The majority of children can safely remove their glasses for P.E. However if your child has to wear glasses during P.E we recommend that you discuss this with your child's optician and obtain either prescription sports goggles or a headband to secure glasses

**Earrings** – Children cannot participate in any form of PE activity with earrings in. At Ewell Grove it is the policy that **no jewellery** and/or make up (including nail varnish) can be worn by children during the school day (**including earrings**). Therefore new piercing should take place during the Summer Holiday, so that the holes have six weeks to heal. *Responsibility for the safekeeping belongs to the child/family Ewell Grove accepts no liability for the loss or damage to jewellery that is brought onto school site for any event/reason.*

Please ensure that **ALL** items are clearly named. All the listed items, both with and without our logo, are available from [www.mandsyourschooluniform.com](http://www.mandsyourschooluniform.com)

Nursery and Reception to Year 2	Year 3 to Year 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red PE T-shirt (with logo)</li> <li>• Black shorts or skort</li> <li>• Black Leggings (optional)</li> <li>• Black fleece zip top (with logo)</li> <li>• Black jogging bottoms</li> <li>• Light Waterproof coat (not school coat)</li> <li>• Black Trainers - <i>Velcro fasteners until children can do laces</i></li> <li>• Socks (to replace tights)</li> <li>• Plastic bag for dirty shoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red PE T-shirt (with logo)</li> <li>• Black shorts or skort</li> <li>• Black Leggings (optional)</li> <li>• Black fleece zip top (with logo)</li> <li>• Black jogging bottoms</li> <li>• Light Waterproof coat (not school coat)</li> <li>• Black Trainers - <i>Velcro fasteners until children can do laces</i></li> <li>• Socks (to replace tights)</li> <li>• Plastic bag for dirty shoes</li> </ul>
<b>Accessories</b>	<b>Accessories</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Drawstring sports bag (with logo)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black Kit bag (with logo)</li> </ul>
	
	
	