

# Friezland Primary School

# 'A Family Committed to Making a Difference'

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### Class 1 – Return to School Information

Dear Class 1,

I wanted to share some information with you as you prepare to start at Friezland school on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**. I have been working hard getting ready to welcome you and I am looking forward to seeing you.

### Start and end of the day

For the first few days, **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September** your school day will start at **1.15pm** and end at **3.15pm**. I will meet you at the shelter where you will say goodbye to your parent before coming into school and finding your coat peg. From **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September** your school day will start at **8.50am** and end at **3.15pm**. Only <u>one</u> grown-up can drop you at school and pick you up and you won't be able to play in the playground or on the field before or after school. You will wait near the shelter at the start of the day and I will take you into school through the rear entrance. At the end of the day, we will come out to the shelter to find your grown-up for home time. Please make your way out of the school grounds promptly.

## Groups and grown-ups

Your teacher will be Mrs Butterworth. Mrs Smithies will often be in class with us, as will Miss Skeldon. There may also be times when other teaching assistants are with us. At break and lunch time, we must keep children from different classes apart, so each class will use a separate playing area. This might be the MUGA or the playground or the field - it will depend on the weather. We know this might seem a bit strange, but it is what we need to do for now to keep everybody safe.

### **Break and Lunch**

Remember your water bottle and a healthy snack for break time as usual. At lunchtime, we will eat our lunch in the hall before going out to play. Mrs Johnstone and Mrs Dumbill will be making their yummy school dinners as usual. School lunches are free to all Reception, Year 1 and 2 children. You can still choose to have a packed lunch from home if you prefer; remember not to change without giving us two-weeks' notice. The adults will help to make sure everyone has washed their hands before and after eating, and that we clean the desks.

### <u>Uniform</u>

You will need your PE kit as usual. Navy shorts for indoor PE and a plain or Friezland-logo white T-shirt and PE pumps. For outdoor PE during the cold weather, bring plain navy tracksuit bottoms, a jumper and trainers. If you have long hair, it's a good idea to keep some hair bobbles in your PE bag. Similarly, if you often wear tights, remember your socks! If you wear earrings, you might want something to keep them in when you take them out for PE. We will change for PE in the classroom after lunchtime, ready for afternoon PE.

### What to bring

It is important that we are only bringing essential items to and from school. You will need your water bottle, a healthy snack and your PE kit. If you use an asthma inhaler, please bring one with you on your first day. Please <u>do not</u> bring your own pencil cases or equipment from home. We will give you your own equipment to use in class. Similarly, please <u>do not</u> bring in toys from home. Although it is very important to know how to *share*, we



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must try not to share things amongst ourselves; this is another way to keep everybody safe. We will still be encouraging speaking and listening through 'Show and Tell' and ask that you get a grown-up to upload a photo onto Google Classroom for you to talk about, rather than bringing an object to school.

#### Music & Clubs

At the moment, ukelele lessons <u>can</u> take place so watch out for the letters about that if you want to take part. Class 1 lessons usually start after October half-term. Also, after-school sports clubs, including karate, will be happening, so look out for those letters too.

#### Keeping you safe

It's important we try to keep a sensible distance from each other – this means us staying together in a 'Bubble'. I've attached a sheet called 'What is a School Bubble?' which helps to explain this. It's also very important that we all wash our hands regularly, so we will help you to remember to do that. As I'm sure you know, if you have a temperature, a cough or you lose your sense of taste or smell, you must stay at home and your grown-ups should let us know as soon as possible. If you become ill or hurt yourself at school, the adult who takes care of you (the first aider) will need to wear a mask and gloves and maybe a plastic apron. This is nothing to worry about – it's just another safety measure.

#### Our classroom

Here are a few photos of the classroom so you can see what it looks like.





trays and water bottle spots

carpet area



activity table

We really can't wait to see you all, and for us all to be learning together. We understand that you might be feeling anxious as starting school is a new adventure, but please don't worry, we're ready and excited to see you!

Enjoy the rest of your holidays,

Mrs Butterworth and the rest of the Friezland Team

