



19th March 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 1 Morning Arrangements

With the summer term just around the corner (where has the time gone?!) we are beginning to think about the children's move into Year 2. A big part of this will be around developing their confidence and trying to make them all proud to be 'incredibly independent'. Feedback from last year's Year 1 parents told us that some children did find it difficult to adapt to the change in morning routine in Year 2 and therefore we have decided to act early in the hopes to minimise stress and ensure that transition is smooth and happy for all the children. We are therefore going to be altering the morning arrangements to move them more in line with Years 2-6.

In these year groups the children are dropped off in the playground in the morning and are brought into school by their teacher. Children are responsible for putting their own possessions away and for completing a start of the day (SODA) activity.

We would like to gradually introduce the same thing in Year 1 between now and July so that the children have an idea of what the expectation will be in September. We are calling this '**Do It Yourself (DIY)**' and on these days children will line up in front of their classroom door at 8:45am (a whistle will be blown to alert them when it is line-up time) they will then be let into the classroom by the teacher. Any children arriving after 8:45am will still be expected to come into the classroom independently. A sign will be placed on the classroom door alerting you when it is a DIY day. If you arrive after the classroom door has been closed at 9:00am, you should bring your child to the school office and let them walk to class by themselves, or you should ask a member of staff to walk them to class.

Your child's teacher and the teaching assistants will be on hand, as always, to provide support to anyone who needs it. If you need to speak to your child's teacher in the morning you will still have the opportunity to do this on the playground (as you would at pick up time)/

The dates for the DIY days are:

From the week beginning 29th April: Every Monday to be a 'DIY' day.

From the week beginning 20th May: Every Monday and Tuesday to be a 'DIY' day.

From the week beginning 10th June: Every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to be a 'DIY' day.

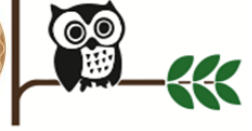


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From the week beginning 24th June: Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to be a 'DIY' day.

For the week beginning 8th July: Every day will be a 'DIY' day.

We will be talking to the children about this in class to prepare them for the change. Please could you also speak to your child about it and explain that you will not be coming into the classroom with them as frequently. It would also help if you can get your child to school as close to 8:45am as possible.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,

Jen Dyson
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