

# Welcome to Bunwell

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Together, we will strive to ensure that we C.A.R.E and our children are: confident, able learners, responsible members of the community and effective learners.

Welcome to a new academic year at Bunwell, I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new children, parents, carers, families and members of the community who are joining our school. We value the contribution of the whole school community in working together to make our school a happy place for our children and staff to learn and work.

#### Reopening

This week has heralded the beginning of a new academic year, in rather unusual circumstances, children have returned to school. While I am sure that there were anxieties and worries on Sunday evening about what school would be like, I hope that this week has reassured both children and families that despite the unusual circumstances it is good to be back. This week has gone very smoothly; we've welcomed every child back to school, drop off and pick up have worked well, children are happy in their classrooms and around school and the new restrictions and routines which we have put in place have worked. Thank you for your support, trust and adherence to our plans, it has made this week much easier!

#### **Staffing**

There have been some changes to our staffing this September. At the end of the summer term, Mr Baxter left us to begin his teacher training. Mrs Davis has moved to a role within the Trust, so Ms Smith is working in the office every morning and we have welcomed Mrs Lightowler to the office in the afternoons. Mrs East, who was one of our Miday Supervisory Assistants, has taken on a Classroom Assistant role in Badgers class.

### Jeans for Genes

Next Friday is Jeans for Genes day and children are welcome to wear their jeans for a £1 donation.

## COVID-19

Earlier today, I shared a letter about a possible case of COVID-19. Although this is a worrying time we hope that you will be reassured by the practices we have in place and the clear processes we have to deal with this situation and will keep parents informed. There is more information on our school website under the 'Our School' tab.

# **Our Term Dates**

Our term dates for 2020/21 follow the Norfolk calendar.

Norfolk County Council 2020-2021

Norfolk Model Calendar

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## **New Children**

Welcome to our new nursery and reception children, it has been lovely to see how quickly they've settled in and how keen they are to come through the door every morning.

#### Visitors

Under the COVID restrictions, we are trying to ensure that it is only essential visitors who come into school. If we do arrange a meeting with parents, we ask that you wear a mask to come into school.

# School Photos

Individual and sibling photos will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September. We have been in contact with our photographer to discuss the measures she has in place this year in order to take photos safely while being mindful of the COVID requirements.



Red dates - bank holiday

