

Bude Primary Academy Head of School – Mrs Sarah Robinson

Friday 26th February 2021

Welcome Back Everyone!

First week back

Following the Government announcement on Monday we have been busy behind the scenes, putting in place all we need to welcome all our pupils back on Monday 8th March. It has been a bustling first week back and as you can see from our celebration assembly this week – there has been lots to celebrate. To watch it, please log into your child's Google Classroom and it is also available on the website.

Home learning

Home learning will continue until Friday 5th March and we will then see you all back in school the following Monday. We still have some spare chrome books should you need one.

Staffing

It has been wonderful to have Mrs Miles and Miss Pool in school. We have been able to open up a Northcott Pod for these last few weeks and Miss Pool is keen to do some video catch ups with those Northcott pupils who are learning from home. Keep an eye on your Google Classroom for invitations! Mrs Mayhew is still poorly but is planning to return to school very soon. Miss Pool will be in Northcott class for the whole of the week beginning 8th March.

Free School Meal Vouchers

We have ordered the FSM vouchers for this week today so they should be with you during the early part of next week. Please can I remind you that these vouchers do expire after a months so please do not forget to use them!

Next week's menu

Monday – All day breakfast or Veggie all day breakfast Tuesday – Pasta bake Wednesday – Roast gammon or Cauliflower cheese Thursday – Chicken korma or Cauliflower jalfrezi

Friday – Breaded pollock or Beany wrap and chips

There is also the option of a jacket potato with bean, cheese or tuna every day.

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Week beginning 8th March

There is no doubt that there are lots of questions to be asked about re-opening arrangements. We are putting everything in place and will share all the information you need, in full, next week.

In general:

- We will continue to operate in 'bubbles'. Start times, play times, lunchtimes and end of day pick up times will all be staggered to ensure appropriate social distancing and to avoid crowding during these key times.
- School dinners will go back to a more diverse menu as the catering numbers increase.
- Home learning will cease unless there is a bubble closure or vulnerable pupils are required to shield for medical purposes.
- We are looking at providing wrap around care (before **and** after school provision) for both schools. Please can you complete the questionnaire that was sent home via Arbor as these responses will heavily influence our decision making on whether these clubs will be viable or not.
- We will be having our Sport Coaches and external professionals back in school such as Matt Thomas, from Transformation Training and Sophie Adey, from Relax Kids. How these sessions will be integrated is yet to be decided but full details will be given next week on class PE days etc.

Please be patient as we spend next week finalising details and please be reassured that we will provide you with all the information you need by the end of next week. We appreciate that coming back to school could be a worry and this could be a very apprehensive time for families. However, we will do all we can behind the scenes to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff.

Reminders from the office:

- Please can you clear any outstanding Parent Pay debts from last term.
- Please check you can access your child's details via the Arbor app and update any medical/contact details.

Stay Safe Mrs Robinson Head of School

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