



TODDINGTON ST. GEORGE CoE SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and I hope you had a happy holiday.

It was great to see the children back in school this morning and to welcome new children both into Reception Classes (Swans and Kingfishers) and into other year groups.

The children made a super start and the older children who came into Collective Worship in the hall also behaved brilliantly. Thank you for ensuring the children looked so smart in their school uniform too.

Mrs Jane Spencer, Headteacher.

Getting in and out of school!

As you can see we have had a lot of building going on!

Getting in!

It will be a bit frustrating while we all get used to how we get in and out of school. Please bear with us. This is all for the safety of the children.

Nursery (Ducklings):

Parents and Carers access the school site by the main entrance on Manor Road.

This is a double gate and the right hand gate leads to Nursery for the Nursery children only.

Reception and Year 1 (Swans, Kingfishers, Penguins and Puffins):

The other side of the main entrance gate on Manor Road leads to the front playground and children in Years R and 1 enter by this gate.

Years 2, 3, and 4 (Toucans, Hummingbirds, Robins, Wrens, Kestrels and Condors).

Children enter school via the gate on the footpath between St George's and Parkfields Middle School.

What do you do if you have children in different year groups?

We fully appreciate you may have children in classes in different year groups. Do use the most convenient entrance for you and your children.

Access to the school front office:

Forgotten book bags, PE kit, need to leave a message at the office?

Please walk round to the entrance that leads to the walk way down to the office and front of school. This gate will always be locked and you will need to buzz the buzzer to gain access to the walkway (that we are now calling The Avenue!) to the front of school.

Safety in an Emergency: Please be assured whilst these gates and fences make our site more secure we can also override all gates and have clear procedures in place for emergency access to school as necessary.

Other site improvements this summer:

Some new windows and internal doors have also been fitted and we are very pleased to have nice new Year R flooring too.

Mr Dudley (Site Agent) and Mrs Tillin (School Business Manager) have worked hard to help this work be completed on time, and Mrs Curtis (Governor) has also supported the site access over the summer. Thanks go to them for all this work.

School Lunches:

Please remember if you are ordering school lunch the cut-off date is Thursday (at midnight!) for the next week's order. You can still order for a term ahead.

FOOD SAFETY REMINDER FOR ALL PARENTS AND CARERS

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY NUT BASED FOOD INTO SCHOOL. SOME CHILDREN WILL BECOME VERY UNWELL IF YOU DO.

THANK YOU.

Toddle Waddle (Learning how to keep fit and how to support others).

Following the fantastic support of the Nursery Toddle Waddle last term, Mrs Stringer has received a lovely book for the nursery and a certificate recording the £678 raised by the children to support the Meningitis Trust. Well done to all who helped achieve this great donation for such an important cause.

A Message from Mrs Collins

"It was such a hard decision to leave the family of Toddington St George and this was confirmed by the wonderful send-off I received. I had a wonderful six years working with the children, parents, staff and governors and was afforded so many opportunities to learn and grow; support and achieve.

Thank you all so much for the kindness and help afforded to me; for the cards, gifts and messages as I move into my new role.

TSG is such a special place, thank you all and best wishes for the future".

Mrs Collins

Asthma inhalers and Epipens / anaphylactic pens

Please check your child's medication is still in date. Please come to the office if you are not sure and check with Mrs Pettitt or Mrs Voyce. Thanks.

Information overload!

Lots of information and reminders to start the year I am afraid!

Please be assured we will have a busy and active year, and that the curriculum letters for your child's class will go out at the end of the week so you will know all about what they will be up to in the term ahead.