



*Head Teacher's News Letter
Start of new school year September 2018*

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome

A very warm welcome to our new starters in Base 1, to our Little Wrens, Freya, Freya and Lilly-Ann in Base 3 and Belle in Base 4 and all their families. A very warm welcome back to all our children and families already established as part of the Wrenbury School family. I hope you all had a lovely summer.

The children have returned looking very smart, on time and enthusiastic about their new teachers and new learning spaces. It's been a pleasure to see them all settle in; to see the purposeful learning and hear the chatter of excited children engaged with their learning. New rhythms and routines have now been established and the school feels very calm and happy.

I have heard that last year's Y6 have settled well – a credit to the work done by Mrs Charlesworth for a smooth transition.

New to Wrenbury Primary School

Little Wrens

- Our new 3-4 year old provision is proving to be popular and I have to thank Miss Pitchford for the work she has undertaken across the summer break to establish two wonderful and developmentally appropriate indoor learning spaces as well as a fantastic outdoor provision. Today I was taken by Esme, Zac and Sophia to see Mr Climb Fierce and they were excited to show me how they had built him, attached the wheels (and he could move), told me the engine needed to be stuck on better and Esme got a hammer to repair a bit she felt wasn't secure enough! Magical learning from a story through play! Information about The Nest can be requested from the Office or via the Parent section on the website.

The Nest

- Our Before and After School club – The Nest – is also proving to be popular as more and more children are being signed up to attend. Mrs Nic Pegram, our new play-leader, is ensuring that time spent at The Nest is not only safe and secure but FUN. Parents at pick up have found that their children are having so much fun that they don't want to go home! Children have games and fun outdoors before settling inside to board or floor games, construction or quieter craft activities of their choice. Even Miss Pitchford joined in the game of Twister last week! Information about The Nest can be requested from the Office or via the Parent section on the website.

Parentmail

- Parentmail has been set up by the office to help support better communication and easier payment systems. Please do download the app and register. There may initially be teething problems but both Debbie and Ali in the office are happy to help. A link to the Parentmail website has been put on a newsfeed article on the school website and there will be a page dedicated to Parentmail in the Parent section on the website.

Looking forward to the term ahead:

Dates for your Diary are being sent out with this letter.

FOWS

- You are all automatically members of FOWS (Friends of Wrenbury School) as you are parents of children attending the school. A letter from FOWS is being sent out with this newsletter with event dates for this term. Do get involved in any way you can – I keep referring to the old saying: ‘Many hands make light work’ – they do!

Special Lunches

- Mrs Warner organises special lunch dates with me across the school year. This term we have the following Special Lunches. Children who normally bring a packed lunch can order and pay for Special Lunches too.
 - Lucky Dip and Chips - Thursday 4th October
 - Harvest Lunch – Tuesday 16th October
 - Y4 Parent Lunch – Wednesday 22nd October
 - Y5 and 6 Parent Lunch – Wednesday 14th November
 - Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 19th December

Reminders

- **Full PE Kit** in every day
- **Absence** – Please ring the office to report your child’s absence NO LATER than 9.30am; after 9.30am we follow safeguarding procedures for unexplained absence.
- **A coat MUST be in school for every child every day**
- **Please support staff by picking your child up promptly. Where this isn’t the case your child(ren)** will be put in The Nest for their safety and wellbeing and parents will be invoiced for the first session.

Thank you to

- The school grounds and indoor learning spaces look wonderful. Many thanks to all the staff team including Colin Eaton and Jane Roberts (our caretaking / cleaning team) and our family volunteers for giving above and beyond to get us ready for the start of term.
- The many positive comments and emails we’ve received about Little Wrens, The Nest and our teachers. This is just one.

‘I just wanted to drop you a quick email I have spoken to Miss Pitchford this morning but I think the school as a whole needs praising. After what I’m sure is a worrying time for all parents when their child first starts school I just wanted to say how amazingly I think the transition has been , after Fraser only being at school 4 days I asked him on Monday night did he like school? His reply "Mummy I did like preschool but big school is much better, I love Miss Pitchford she is the best teacher in the world ! " After hearing this my mind was completely put at rest and I now no longer have to worry at all about Fraser as I know he is very happy and has settled in straight away. Thank you all so much for what you have already done it is so nice to know he is in a lovely school.’

I very much look forward to seeing you at our Pastoral Meetings for Y1-6 across next week and working with you to give your child the very best we can during their time at Wrenbury.

Thank you for your continued support of myself and the Wrenbury School Team.

Best wishes,
Mrs Cadōr