



Friday 18th September 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Welcoming new families to Earlham

It has been wonderful to welcome so many new families to Earlham this week! We hope that your children will be very happy at our school and look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming months.

We have been delighted to meet so many of our new Reception starters and are thrilled to see how well they have settled into their new classes. The EYFS team have enjoyed getting to know the children and cannot wait to see how their learning develops this term!

Recovery Curriculum

There is a real buzz around the school and our staff have continued to work hard to help the children to feel safe and happy. We know that everyone in the Earlham community will each have had unique experiences of, and responses to, the events of 2020 and the global pandemic. Due to this, we have begun the year focusing on the children's emotional wellbeing in order to support them fully with their reintegration and to help them to connect with each other and re-engage with school life.

For the past two weeks we have followed a 'Recovery Curriculum' and all the classes have been working through the lovely picture book 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. The children have taken part in a number of activities which have been designed to help them to prepare for the exciting and important year ahead of them. Curriculum letters for each year group will be posted on our school website next week to provide you with more information about what your child will be learning this term and how you can support them at home.

Revised drop-off and collection times

Also over the past two weeks, we have monitored and reviewed our routines and systems for drop-off and collection times. The current timings have been reviewed to reduce the amount of waiting time at the start and end of the school day.

The new timings which will come into effect from Monday 21st September are as follows:

YEAR GROUPS	START	END
Years 5/6	8.45-8.50	3:05
Years 3/4	8.50-8.55	3:10
Years 1/2	8.55-9:00	3:15

Reception class times will remain the same until further notice.

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The children come into school so sensibly every morning and we are keen to bring them into class as quickly and as safely as possible. Please continue to support the School to keep our community safe by observing the social distancing rules and arriving at the correct times.

Many thanks in advance for your ongoing support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

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