

Tredworth Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers

A very warm welcome to our new Year 3 pupils and parents, and to our Year 4, 5 and 6 a big welcome back. This is my 16th year at Tredworth Junior School and I cannot remember a more exciting or settled beginning.

Our new themes have got off to a flying start with pupils investigating, making, cooking etc. The work as a result has been excellent as have attitudes, behaviours and I am pleased to add, uniform. Thank you.

TERM DATES

I am also writing to inform you of a change in term dates at the end of December and start of January. We originally followed Local Authority guidelines in terms of ending Term 2 on Friday 15 December 2017 and pupils return on 3 January 2018.

However, we have discovered that many local primary and secondary schools, including Tredworth Infants and Hatherley Infants have changed their dates to finish on 20 December 2017 and return later in the first week of January. This causes a mismatch which can and will have an impact upon attendance and childcare for families/stakeholders and staff.

We are therefore changing our dates to:

End of Term 2 Wednesday 20th December 2017

Start of Term 3 Pupils return on Monday 8th January 2018

(Friday 5th January Inset day for staff only)

We are informing you so far in advance to give you the best chance of making any alternative arrangements. If this proves to be problematic please do not hesitate to contact me.

NEW ENTRANCE/EXIT SYSTEM

This new system allows parents and visitors to access the school during the school day through the High Street and Tredworth Road pedestrian gates. Press the button near the gates to speak with reception who will then release the gate lock and you will then be able to open the gate. Please exit through these gates by pressing the green exit button and opening the gate.

This is not an automated system and the gates will need to be opened and closed manually each time by you to ensure your children remain safe at all times.

The car park gate is now purely for deliveries and disabled access and we would remind you not to park in the staff car park at any time.

(Please see overleaf)

STRUCTURED CONVERSATIONS

We will be contacting you soon to set up our first set of structured conversations. We are looking forward to meeting with you to set those important targets to ensure your children make the best possible progress and enjoy their learning.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We will also be contacting you regarding the existing vacancy for a parent governor. We will be having an open morning soon at which governors will be present to give an overview of what it entails and what they do to better inform prospective or interested parties.

This school is a great school. Ofsted said so very recently. This is because of the strong partnerships between home and school. I am very proud of this partnership and look forward to another fantastic year together.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Darby
Headteacher