

# **Worth Valley Primary School**

#### Start of day arrangements

#### Years 1-6

Our 8.35am-8.50am arrival slot will continue in September as we know that this enables children to arrive in school calmly and confidently, ready to get on with their learning straight away. Pupils in Years 1-6 will enter via the main gate between 8.35am-8.50am.

#### **Early Years and Butterfly Class**

Pupils (and parents) of Reception, Nursery, Pre-School and Butterfly Class will enter via the small gate between 8.35am-8.50am. Please follow the path round to Early Years or the Butterfly Room and drop your child off at their classroom. If you are new to school please don't panic—Early Years staff will be present at the gate and in the Early Years outdoor area to help!

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club is open from 7.45am-8.15am. Please enter the school grounds via the main gate, turn right and drop children off at the dining room door at the rear of school.

#### **End of day arrangements**

Gates will open at 3.20pm. Please note, the school day finishes at 3.20pm: please expect to collect your child from 3.20pm and not before.

#### **Early Years and Butterfly Class**

Parents will enter school via the small gate, follow the path round to the Early Years outdoor area and collect their children from classrooms.

### Year 1

Children will be collected from the cloakroom door to the right of the climbing frame.

#### **Year 2 and Butterfly Class**

Year 2 children will be collected from the Year 2 external classroom door for the first half term—please follow the path round to the rear of school behind Early Years. Butterfly Class pupils will be collected from their external door.

#### Years 3 to 6

Children will be collected from their class line in the Key Stage 2 playground.

Pupils in years 5 and 6 may walk home independently providing we have a signed permission form. These letters will be sent out at the beginning of the week.

#### **Parking**

A polite reminder that the staff car park should not be used by parents—please park carefully and considerately on Bracken Bank Crescent and avoid parking on the pavement.

The two disabled parking spaces at the front of school are for the use of parents and carers of pupils with disabilities (or adults with disabilities) only. Thank you for your understanding.

Please can I ask parents and carers to NOT collect your child early from the school office unless in exceptional circumstances. Whilst I do appreciate that you may have a good reason to do this, it puts a huge strain on our staff. We are unable to let children walk to the office on their own and so we have to release a member of staff to accompany the child. As all staff are busy teaching or supporting children at this time, it does mean that this is interrupted, as well as the child's learning and education.



1 September 2023

## **Headteacher's Message**

I hope you are all enjoying a wonderful summer holiday.

This newsletter contains important information regarding the start of the new academic year on **Tuesday 5 September\***. However, if you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff using their email address below:

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\*parents and carers of pupils in Early Years will have received a separate letter detailing your child's start date or first session.

Thank you also for your lovely cards, notes, gifts and well wishes received by staff at the end of the year; I hope you know how much your kind words mean to us.

Overleaf you will find details of the start and end of day arrangements, as well as drop off and collection points for each class.

I would like to wish all our new starters a very warm welcome to Worth Valley Primary School and good luck to our Year 6 leavers who will be starting high school next week! We could not be prouder of the young adults you have become; you know you're always welcome to come back and visit us!

We look forward to seeing everyone on **Tuesday 5 September**.