

# **Bevendean Primary School and Nursery**

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## A place for everyone to succeed and thrive

4th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, thank you to those of you that were able to join us for the Teams meeting. Hopefully the information that you were given was helpful. For those of you, who were not able to join, the following information is what was covered.

### **Secondary School Applications**

By now you should have received your child's secondary school place, either by post or email. I hope that you and your child are happy with this decision however if you aren't, then you can appeal this decision. Appeals take place through Admissions at Brighton and Hove Council. The deadlines for appeals is 29th March. As a school, we can offer you advice and can show support for children with specific needs and vulnerabilities but we cannot and will not guide or advise you towards or away from a specific school. If you would like to speak with us about an appeal, please contact the office and they will forward any emails to the Year 6 team.

#### **Year 6 Residential**

We are aiming to continue with our residential this summer from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July however due to Broadstone Warren closing down, we will now be visiting Bushy Wood in Hailsham. This will offer us the same experience that we had booked at Broadstone Warren and the price of £125 will stay the same. You will be contacted via email regarding payments that have been made and therefore what is due. Payments should be made via ParentPay however if you want to pay by cash or cheque, please make sure that the correct amount is in an envelope and handed to the school office. We would love for every child to attend the residential but we know in the current circumstances, finances may be tough. Please do contact us about any problems or worries you may have, we are here to help.

#### **Returning to school**

All children are expected to return to school on Monday 8th March. Our main job is to get our Year 6 cohort 'Secondary Ready'. You may have heard in the news that SATs have been cancelled for the second year running. This does not mean that our focus changes. We will continue to deliver the curriculum to ensure our children are prepared for secondary school. This will include: continuing groups for some subjects, interventions will still take place, homework will still be set and catch up sessions will begin in the summer term.

Please begin this week getting your child back in the routine of school and making sure that they are ready to begin back at school for Monday 8th March.

Finally, thank you to all the parents and carers that have supported their children through the home learning that we have been setting. We know it hasn't been easy but we have been so impressed with the children that have engaged with E-Schools, the online catch up sessions and returning their work packs.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Yours Sincerely, Miss Miller and Miss O'Neill















