



# Grands Vaux Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Maria McCool



Tuesday, 30 August 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are having an enjoyable summer holiday and have been able to make the most of time with family and friends.

I send this newsletter to you before we return as I have some key staffing updates that need to be shared with you.

## Staffing September 2022:

We welcome two new additional staff members to the team for September 2022 –

Mrs Dymond-Long – she joins us from London where she was the EYFS lead in her school. She will be our new Reception Teacher. Miss Dix remains on parental leave until January 2023.

Mrs Bonazzi – she joins us as a Learning Support Assistant – she has had experience of supporting children in schools in both Italy and Jersey.

As there have been several recent changes to staffing please see a reminder below of the teaching staff for September 2022 -

Name	Year Group
Mrs Prouten	Nursery Teacher, ECO, Science, EYFS Lead
Mrs Dymond-Long	Reception Teacher
Mrs de la Cloche	Year 1 Teacher, PSHE, Rights Respecting Schools Lead
Mrs Mihai	Year 2 Teacher
Miss Lemonnier	Year 3 Teacher
Mrs Richardson	Year 4 Teacher, RE Lead, Choir
Miss O'Connor	Year 5 Teacher, Maths Lead, JTP Lead, Coaching Mentor
Miss Dewhurst	Year 6 Teacher, PE, History and Geography, KS2 Lead
Mrs Martin	Reading Recovery Teacher, Multi Lingual Learners, Oracy Champion, Literacy Lead, KS1 Lead, SENCO
Ms Tanner	Deputy Head, Computing Lead, ECT Mentor, Coaching Mentor, Assessment Reporting and Recording, Jersey Premium, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

## COVID19:

Although numbers are low on island we must remain vigilant. Please can I remind you of the transmission mitigations in education settings –

<https://www.gov.je/Health/Coronavirus/EducationChildcare/Pages/EducationCoronavirusGuidance.aspx>

## COVID measures in education settings

These public health measures will remain in place:

- lateral flow testing at home
- nobody should attend if they have symptoms of COVID
- nobody should attend after a positive test until they have completed the recommended isolation period
- improved ventilation including the use of CO2 monitors and air filtration devices
- hygiene protocols and guidance
- promotion of vaccination

If there is increased COVID disruption or risk, individual measures may be reintroduced. This includes the use of masks, bubbles, or restricted group activities on a local level, for example by year group or individual school.

## Symptoms

Nobody should attend an education setting if they have symptoms of COVID. If you have symptoms you should stay at home and book a PCR test.

#### Lateral flow testing

All children and staff who attend nursery, school or college should take lateral flow tests twice per week.

#### After a positive LFT

You should submit the positive result online at [covid-safe.gov.je](https://covid-safe.gov.je).

You or your child should book a PCR test and stay at home until you get the PCR result.

#### After a positive PCR test

Nobody should attend an education setting until they have completed the isolation period following a positive PCR test.

These mitigations are important for us all – staffing levels have previously been impacted by COVID19 cases and this did result in class closures. I ask for your continued support with trying to minimise the risk of increased cases within our school community.

#### **INSET 22-23 (school is closed to children on these dates):**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### **Barrier:**

As you will see the barrier to the entrance of the school site is taking shape.

The opening times for the barrier will be:

#### **Mon – Tue:**

**AM** Open @ 7:35 Close @ 8:55 **PM** Open @ 2:30 Close @ 3:15

#### **Wed – Thu – Fri:**

**AM** Open @ 7:35 Close @ 8:55 **PM** Open @ 2:30 Close @ 3:15 Open again @ 3:45 then Close @ 4:15

#### **Saturday and Sunday (and sch holidays):**

Barrier closed

Access to the school site during times when the barrier is closed will be through a buzzer system that links to the main school office.

#### **Punctuality and Attendance:**

A reminder that our high expectations of attendance and punctuality have been reinstated.

#### A reminder of our start and finish times:

Breakfast club is available 7.45-8.30 £2 a session (which includes breakfast)

8.30am - Staff are on duty in the playgrounds

8.40am - The bell sounds the start of the school day

8.45am - Registers are taken – children are marked as late if they do not make it to class in time for the register

2.45pm – Nursery collection

2.45pm – Playground opened up as car park – please do not arrive before this time as the playground is used for PE and this will cause traffic build up.

3.00pm - End of the school day for Rec-Year 6

Children need to be collected promptly, obviously we are aware that there are rare occasions where parent/scarers may be late so do understand there may be rare mitigating circumstances.

Where attendance and/or punctuality, including late collection, becomes a concern we will discuss the case with our EWO (Mrs Frederick) during our regular check in meetings and we may request a parental/carer meeting to suggest an attendance/punctuality plan be put in place.

If you need clarification on any points in the newsletter, please do get in touch.

Kind regards



Miss Maria McCool – Headteacher