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The children are continuing to adapt to the “new normal” at Speenhamland. I am proud of their continued resilience and hard work. We are currently making provision for our Autumn Parents’ Evenings. I will share our plans for this with you next week.

Phonic Workshop

Thank you for taking the time to look at this presentation. Supporting your child's early reading development is essential in ensuring they become a confident reader. In this presentation, you can find out how your child is taught to blend sounds, to read words and how you can support them at home. The link is as follows for anyone who would like to access this. <https://www.speenhamlandprimary.co.uk/page/?title=EYFS+Transition&pid=93>

Equipment

Now that the weather is beginning to change, I am aware that children’s belongings are getting wet in drawstring bags. Therefore, if your child walks to and from school and needs to bring a **SMALL** backpack to prevent their books from becoming wet, they can do so. Children will not be allowed to bring excessively large backpacks as there isn’t space to store these. EYFS and Infants can use a book bag instead of this. PE bags, which remain in school from Monday to Friday, should still be drawstring bags.

Children do need coats in school every day as they will be going outside, even in cold weather or light rain, and we have had many children who were wet through at the end of the day this week as a result of not having coats.

Collecting at the End of the Day

From Monday, we will be closing the front gates to the car park at 2.15 pm. These will only be opened for parents to use the “Kiss and Drop” system and then closed again afterwards. In order for this to happen safely, all parents and carers will need to stay clear of these gates. Children leaving the site will be asked to walk along the green line, over the zebra crossing and around the path to their parents. Therefore, parents must not wait in groups, as this will limit the children reaching their parents safely. When it is time for your child to come out of school, you will need to come along and stand near the black fence between the vehicle gates, so that we can see you clearly. We will not let your child go unless we can see you at that point. When you have collected your child, please move away from this area quickly. If you need to wait for a sibling, please move down the road and then return when it is the right time. It is important that everyone follows this system to ensure the safety of the children.

As stated in our earlier guidance, only one parent or carer should be coming to school. This is important because if there are too many on the path, children cannot move past safely.

CENSUS Day Menu Swop

Next Thursday is CENSUS day and once again we would encourage all our Foundation and KS1 pupils to use this as an opportunity to have a **FREE** hot meal. The school receive funding for **EVERY** Infant (including Foundation) child who has a cooked dinner next Thursday when there will be a menu swop (Thursday/Friday). This means that Fish Fingers and Chips will be served on Thursday. ParentPay has been amended to reflect these changes. Many thanks for your support. If you need another activation letter, please email the school office.

Mrs E Parish—Associate Headteacher

FoSS News (Friends of Speenhamland School)

The FoSS will be holding their AGM via Zoom on Tuesday 20 October 20:00 via Zoom. Please email speenhamlandpta@gmail.com for the Zoom login information.

Please see separate flyers sent with this Newsletter for more information about FoSS, their AGM and the essential fundraising that they do for our school.

