



# Dolphins and Turtles



27<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

Dear Parents,

We in FSU are busy making preparations and planning to welcome back some children; and hope to try and provide some 'normality' in these changing times.

There will be changes and these can be unsettling but we are aiming to provide as 'normal' a day as possible. The day will begin differently by the children leaving you at the back gate. After being home with you throughout the school closure period, and the change of drop off this may be unsettling and take a while for your child to adapt to. We are expecting tears and out of character behaviour but hopefully once in the individual classrooms and seeing some familiar objects and friends the children will be distracted and become happily involved. However, if your child continues to be distressed, please be reassured we will give you a ring to come and collect your child for that day.

Some of the changes that will be evident alongside rigorous hygiene and cleaning throughout the day will be Turtles and Dolphins working separately and not going into each others' classrooms or outside areas as before. Soft furnishings, soft toys, mats will be stored away and there will be limited resources out that can be easily cleaned, however there will still be plenty of resources for the children to play and learn with. We will be planning lots of outdoor activities, so please can the children come dressed in appropriate clothing. Children will need to bring their own sunhat as they will not be allowed to borrow one of our spare ones. Suncream **must** be applied before the children come to school as we will not be allowed to apply for the children during the day, there are suncreams now that last for eight hours. Please could children bring in a bag of spare clothes as we plan to have lots of water activities, (an old bag will be fine as this bag will need to stay in school until the summer holidays, it cannot go home with the children at the end of the day.) The children **will not** be able to borrow our spare clothes. A piece of fruit for snack time will still be made available to the children. We are also asking that children do not bring toys from home to school with them, these will not be able to come into the building and will have to be given back to you at the gate at drop off.

For children in Dolphins, they will not need to bring their book bags with them as no reading books can be shared between school and home. We are continuing to provide a school lunch as part of the free school meals and water and milk will still be provided for snack time so the children will not need to bring a water bottle to school.

You as parents are no doubt feeling a mixture of emotions, that's understandable. We are here to help and support.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Claire and Steph