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Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year, I hope you and your families had a lovely summer.

Bubbles: We are now mixing in school and no-longer have 'bubbles'. All children eat their lunch in the hall, unless they choose to eat their packed lunch outside, whilst the weather is warm.

Times: The school doors are open at 8.50 am and children are on the playground for home time at 3.15pm for Years 1 – 6. Reception are ready at 3.15 in their classrooms, waiting to be collected.

Home time: There is still a one-way system around the playground. Please can you wait in two lines at the playground gate to be let in at 3.15pm. Go to the end of your child's line, staying behind the cones, and ask the teacher at the front of the line for your child. Please be patient as teachers are trying to check each child leaves with their parent.

Learning: At Burnley Brow we are focusing on reading and learning and understanding the meaning of words.

Pumps: All children need black slip-on pumps for indoor PE. These should have a brown sole. The pumps need to have your child's name in each pump and be kept in school in a pump bag. On the days when they come in their PE kit, they should wear trainers.

Reading: Reading is a fundamental life skill which enables children to access all their learning. Speaking, reading and knowledge of word meanings are the building blocks for all other learning. This year, your child will need to bring their book-bag into school **every day**.

Younger children will bring a book home with a book linked to their reading ability and a book which you can share with them. They must practise reading every evening to improve their fluency. Reading and re-reading will help them to do this. Inside their reading book, there will be a card for you to fill in the number of pages read. The reading book and card must be returned to school every day.

Children who are fluent in phonics will be given a reading scheme book linked to their stage of reading. They may also bring a non-fiction or additional book of their choice. Please read the reading scheme book with your child and fill in the pages read on the reading card and enjoy sharing any other books. Fluent readers will bring their book home every day and will also read this book in school.

Yours sincerely,

H. Atkinson-Smith

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