



5 July 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to our current Acorns families for your continued support and understanding this past year. We are pleased to have been able to meet the growing demand for this valuable service and are committed to serve our families with wrap-around childcare to the best of our ability. We would also like to welcome the new families whose children will be joining Acorns as they start their time here at Burlington Infant & Nursery School.

As we plan for the Acorns provision from September 2021, we would like to inform you of some key decisions we have taken:

- In recognition of the challenging year we have all faced, **we have decided NOT to increase our Acorns fees for the 2021-22 academic year.** The fees will remain as £5 per breakfast club session and £13 per after school club session. For your information, these fees were last increased in December 2019 and will now be next reviewed ahead of September 2022.
- For the Infant & Nursery Acorns, **we have decided to keep the finish time of After School Club as 6pm from now on.** We believe this is appropriate for our younger age children. We do of course understand that this may be difficult for those of you who will resume commutes into London come September. If you feel the 6pm collection will be difficult for you, please get in touch with Navita on acorns@burlingtoni.org.uk to discuss.

Attached is the updated Parent Handbook for the 2021-22 academic year. Please read this carefully to ensure you are aware of the terms and conditions of our service. Accompanying this email is a link to the annual registration forms that we require to be completed by all families, whether new to Acorns or existing. **Please ensure you complete these important forms by the end of Sunday 18 July.** Please note, we cannot confirm your place for Acorns in September unless we have these forms completed and returned.

For September, we are currently planning to operate Acorns as we have done this year (i.e. year group bubbles). However if the COVID-19 situation worsens and has implications for how we run, then we will of course update you. If required, these communications will take place over the summer holiday so please ensure you continue to check this inbox regularly.

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Assuming a normal opening of school and Acorns in September, **the first day of Acorns will be:**

- **Thursday 2 September for Y1 / Y2**
- **Those children starting Nursery and Reception will only start Acorns once they have settled into their school sessions.** Typically this will be 1 week after their first unaccompanied session in school to ensure they have settled well before extending their hours. Your child's key worker will be able to confirm this once they have had a few full time sessions in Nursery / Reception.

If you have any questions about the information in this letter or the Acorns provision from September, please contact Navita on acorns@burlingtoni.org.uk. Navita will be checking the emails weekly during the summer holidays.

Finally, we wish you and your families a good summer and look forward to welcoming (back) your child to Acorns in September.

Best wishes and kind regards,

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