## SIBFORD GOWER ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Useful information about routines and expectations – January 2024

**Dear Parents** 

We wish you all a Happy New Year. Below is some useful information about Acorn, which will help you to get organized for the term ahead.

**Coming into school:** Children in nursery need to be brought up to the Acorn door (through the gate into the outside area) where they will be met by Acorn staff. Children in Reception are welcome to walk up by themselves if they wish. If your child is being collected at lunchtime, please wait at the gate at the bottom of the drive and we will bring your child down to you.

**Water bottles:** All children are required to have a water bottle in school **each day**. Please can they ONLY be filled with water. Please remember that water bottles should be clearly named (on the side and not the bottom of the bottle) as they will be stored centrally for easy access.

**Book bags:** All children need to bring a book bag **or** another bag into school every day they attend. This is so any letters or learning they complete can be safely transported home.

**PE:** PE sessions are on **Wednesday** (Gymnastics) and **Thursday** (Dance) every week, so children need to *come to school* in their PE kit. They will wear their PE kit all day, so if it is chilly, they will need to wear joggers and a jumper. On Friday Mrs Benjamin will try and fit in some yoga linked to our learning, but children are alright to wear their school uniform.

**Waterproof clothing & Wellies:** Please can you make sure your child has a pair of clearly named wellies to school as well as a set of waterproof trousers and a jacket or an 'all in one' (whichever your child can attempt to put on independently). These will be kept on pegs so the children can wear them if it is wet, or they play in the water during the day. This term we are exploring habitats so we will be outside on the big field frequently.

**Lunch box contents:** Please can you ensure that NO NUT products are in your children's packed lunches. Please do check ingredients, if you are not sure. Items such as cereal/cake bars (Nak'd), Nutella can cause a potential risk to others. Items containing nuts will be removed from lunch boxes for the safety of other children (as we are a nut free school) and will be handed to adults at home time. Please can olives, grapes and tomatoes be cut length ways to reduce choking risk. Cheese should also be cut in strips rather than cubes for this reason.

**Spare clothes:** Please can nursery children (and Reception children if accidents have previously occurred) bring in a bag containing spare clothes which can be stored in case of any small accidents. The bag should be clearly named and contain spare socks and pants as well as other clothing.

Many thanks for your continued support

Ms R Blake & Mrs Benjamin