



Friday 6th November 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

We hope that you enjoyed the half term break and that you are keeping well during these challenging times. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school.

As you are aware, the nationwide lockdown commenced yesterday. In light of this, we have taken extra steps to keep our children and staff safe by reviewing and improving our safety measures. This has included the revision of our drop off and collection times. The current timings have been amended to reduce the amount of waiting time and the number of families on site at the start and end of the school day.

The new timings which will come into effect from Monday 9th November are as follows:

YEAR GROUPS	START	Drop-off point	END
Years 5/6	8.40am - 8.50am	The car park gates (left side)	3:00pm
Years 1/2	8.40am - 8.50am	The pedestrian gate	3.05pm
Years 3/4	8.50am - 8.55am	The car park gates (left side)	3:10pm
Reception	8.55am - 9:00am	The car park gates (left side)	2.55pm

Please ensure that your child arrives on time and remember that only one family member should drop or collect.

For the safety of the school community, the following important measures must be followed from Monday:

- Parents and carers should wear face coverings when dropping off and collecting children.
- Social distancing rules at drop off and pick up points must be respected.
- Telephone meeting requests must be made via the school office. There will be even tighter restrictions on visitors permitted on site and no face to face meetings in school unless they are vital. Meetings with external agencies and/or professionals will be held virtually as much as possible.
- Dinner money must be paid online via the app (if you need help to set this up, please contact the school office).
- School uniforms must be purchased online.
- Any Covid-19 related illness, symptoms or contact with ill or symptomatic people must be reported to the school office at the earliest opportunity. Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell.

In line with our whole school risk assessment, windows and doors will be opened to ensure that there is good ventilation across the school. We therefore suggest that you send your child to school with an extra layer under their school uniform to keep them warm. PE kits may be worn on the day of PE lessons (to prevent the need to change).

Please continue to support the School to keep our community safe by observing the social distancing rules and arriving at the correct times. Our staff are working incredibly hard to keep the children happy and safe and we need your support to do this.

Parent / Carer Consultation Appointments

We have also reviewed our plans for the forthcoming parent / carer telephone consultation appointments. These will now take place on Monday 23rd November. Please note that the school will be closed for all children on this day. Class teachers will allocate a ten minute slot for each child and appointment times will be confirmed by Thursday 12th November. Please contact the school office by 4pm on Monday 9th November to confirm any times that are not convenient between 9am and 3pm and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.

Online Learning

Our virtual school, which is still working very well for homework, will be available for children who need to self-isolate and be fully prepared in the event of the closure of a bubble. Please inform us if you do not have access to a working device (laptop, tablet or chrome book) that is connected to the internet and check that your child's Google Classroom log-in details are correct.

Many thanks in advance for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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