

25th February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Returning to School in March

We had the fantastic news that **all schools in England will reopen to all pupils on 8th March**. This is under the Prime Minister's roadmap out of lockdown. The virus has not gone away and therefore it is still vital that we do whatever we can to minimize the risk factors in school. To support this, our risk assessment continues to be updated and is available to read on the school website.

Breakfast Club – re-opening:

Breakfast club will re-open on Monday 8th March (7.45 – 8.40am). Please email/phone the school office in advance if you require a space, as for safety reasons we can't take any children on the day who are not booked in.

Staggered Start/Finish

We will be operating a similar system to the one we had in September – December. For safety reasons we do not want 'late' children walking through the school. Our playground is not a waiting area, school benches remain out of bounds for parents. Please collect your child(ren) promptly from their line and leave by the one-way system.

| | Dropping off / time | Entrance | Exit / pick up |
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| Breakfast club For safety reasons we can't take any children on the day who are not booked in advance. | 7.45 – 8.40am | Breakfast/Disco door | N/A |
| Class 1 | 8.40 – 9.00 am | Junior gate, through infant side gate straight into Class 1 | 3.00 – 3.10 pm Junior gate one-way system down onto playground. |
| Class 2 | 8.40 – 9.00 am | Main entrance side, through infant gate straight into Class 2 | 3.00 – 3.10 pm Junior gate one-way system down onto playground. |
| Class 3 | 8.40 – 8.50 am | Junior gate, through junior entrance into Class 3 | 3.00 – 3.10 pm Junior gate one-way system down onto playground. |
| Class 4 | 8.40 – 8.50 am | Junior gate, straight down onto playground then into Class 4 | 3.00 – 3.10 pm Junior gate one-way system down onto playground. |
| Class 5 | 8.40 – 8.50 am | Junior gate, straight down onto playground then into Class 5 | 3.00 – 3.10pm Junior gate one-way system down onto playground. |

Exit/Pick up – Due to lost learning time we will be dismissing all the children between 3.00 – 3.10pm. Staff will walk their children onto the playground at 2.55pm then the junior gates will be opened for parents at 3.00pm.

You are welcome to stay in your car until 3.00pm as social distancing still applies, please be courteous to others. **Masks / face coverings are required when entering the school site.**

One-way system: One parent to walk down onto main playground through the junior gate, whereby children and staff will be waiting to hand over children. All parents/children to exit school playground past playgroup exit / alley. **Children will not be allowed to walk up to the roadside to meet parents as normal.**



Lunches

If your child is entitled to Universal Free school meals (Infants) or Free school meals (Juniors) Caterlink will be providing school dinners. More information to follow as waiting for updates from Caterlink.

Snacks:

Infants will be provided with a piece of fruit, however all other children should bring fruit as normal.

After school clubs:

There will be no after school clubs this half term. This will be re-evaluated after Easter.

Uniform:

It is our expectation that children should wear uniform as normal. Please ensure your child's name is on the label.

P.E kits:

The children will not be required to change for P.E at school. On the day(s) that your child has P.E, they must wear their P.E kit to school. (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

Best Practice:

If you suspect your child or another family member may have symptoms of COVID-19, then they are not to attend and must go for testing. It goes without saying that we expect everybody in our school community to respect this and remain vigilant. **SAFEGUARDING: School must be informed why your child is not in, even if not Covid related. The Local Authority will be issuing fines if schools are not advised.**

Our Behaviour policy and Home-school agreement is in line with Government guidance and on our school website. Further information will go onto our school website over the next few weeks.

We can't wait to welcome everybody back soon!

Yours sincerely,

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