

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Dear All Parents and Carers,

I really hope that you have all managed to have a relaxing, happy and healthy summer break. We look forward to welcoming our Year 1 and Year 2 children back to school tomorrow, **Friday 3rd September**. A reminder that the drop off and pick up times are as follows:

Year 1 - Drop off at **8.35am**; Pick up at **3.05pm**

Year 2 - Drop off at **8.40 am**; Pick up at **3.10pm**

Reception - Drop off at **8.45am** (apart from your child's first day); Pick up at **3.00pm**

Please try to be on time as the learning starts as soon as children arrive and registers are taken promptly. If the classroom door has been closed please take your child to the school office, you will be asked to complete a late form. We understand that some of you have to wait for junior aged children, to support this we will open up our adventure playground **after** school each day until **3.45pm**. This facility will start on Monday 6th September. Our Reception children will be having their home visits next week before joining us on 9th, 10th and 13th of September and we can't wait to welcome them .

School meals

School meals will commence on Friday, please see the menu circulated yesterday. It is really helpful if you look at this with your child and help them with the choices. Please ensure that we are aware of any new dietary requirements, allergies etc.

Covid precautions

I thought it would be useful to clarify a few general points to help with questions that you may have prior to returning. Restrictions have been lifted however we are aware that there is a risk that children are becoming infected and are also passing on the virus to adults. We very much want to get back to normal and for your children to enjoy everything that school has to offer. We are requesting that you continue to wear face coverings when dropping off and picking up, this is a personal choice but we would really appreciate your support. In line with current guidance for schools, year group bubbles will no longer be in place, school assemblies will resume, and we no longer need to avoid mixing at lunch and break times. This will enable your children to feel part of the whole school again. We will be inviting parents in to help within school in the next few weeks, if you wish to help in school please ensure that you have a DBS certificate, contact the School Office to apply.

We have contingency plans in place in the event of an outbreak, we have attached the plan for your information. You can also access the updated risk assessment on the school website.

For further information on what you as parents need to know about the new guidance in schools, please see the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19->

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Dates

We are feeling enthusiastic about the coming year, we are aspirational for your children and look forward to strengthening our school community even further. We will be holding a meeting for all on Wednesday 29th September at 7.00pm where we will be letting you know about our priorities for the next few years, and there will be an opportunity to meet staff, governors and other parents. More information will follow on this.

Please note the following revised dates - the **Year 2** information meeting will now be on **Wednesday 15th September at 9.00am in the Hall**. **Year 1** will hold their meeting on **Wednesday 22nd September at 9.00am** and **Reception** on **Thursday 23rd September at 9.00am**. Staff have requested that you wear face coverings if possible for these meetings.

Warm regards

Janet Berry
Headteacher