



Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day; Working Together.

24th August 2020

BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of the summer holidays, I wanted to write to you all to give you some important information for re-opening in September.

As things stand, the government have stated that all children in England must start back to school in September 2020. It is no longer a choice and if you don't send your child/ren back to school, it may result in a fine.

Our first day of opening is **Thursday 3rd September**. We are very excited about this, as we have all missed the children very much.

Our first priority has to be the safety and well-being of our children, staff and parents/carers, and in order to ensure this we have made some changes to the school day.

In order to reduce the amount of people on the school site at any one time we are going to open the doors at 8.30am, with registration taking place at 9am. This should allow a steady stream of children into school and less congestion on the playground. Only one adult to accompany each child/ren and children in year 4, 5 and 6 can be dropped off at the gate, this will be supervised by a member of the senior leadership team.

Children from Early Years (except morning Robin Hood class) to year 3 can be collected between 3pm and 3.20pm, by one adult only. The school gates will open at 3pm.

Children in year 4, 5 and 6 will be dismissed from 3.10pm. If you wish for an adult to collect your child, please ring the office to arrange.

It is extremely important that your child/ren arrive between these times. If they arrive after 9am then they will be met by Miss Ratcliff at the gate who will sign them in and then let them onto the playground. No children are to come through the office.

*** Children in Early Years will be attending half day sessions on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September as detailed in a previous letter. ***

Other changes to the school day include staggered playtimes and dinnertimes. There will be NO breakfast club at this time.

At this time, no bikes or scooters will be allowed on the school site.

The risk assessment for September can be found on the school website. As part of this there are some terms and conditions.

Please can you read the terms and conditions below with your child/children to ensure they understand this extremely important information.

Terms and Conditions

1. You must not send your child in if they are unwell. As a matter of course we will ask you to check with them verbally in the morning if they feel unwell. This is so important, you will not be penalised for their non-attendance if they are genuinely unwell.
2. If your child becomes ill in school they would be isolated immediately and would be supported by a member of staff (who may need to wear full PPE). You would need to collect as quickly as possible.
3. If your child or members of the family show symptoms of Covid 19- a new persistent cough or temperature (please see Public Health England guidance on this) then you must self-isolate for 14 days. Please inform school, so that we can inform others and tests can be ordered.
4. If we have a confirmed case in school, we will follow guidance and further information would then follow.
5. Your child will need to arrive between 8.30am and 9am and be collected between 3pm and 3.20pm. It is important you keep to these times to ensure we reduce the numbers on the playground at any one time.
6. Two metre social distancing must be maintained by all adults at all times. Parents/carers will wait on the playground. The children will line up outside their classroom, on the yellow footprints, until a member of staff invites them in to wash their hands before entering the classroom. No parents/carers to come in to school or attempt to hand anything to staff. This will be the same at home time when one child at a time is sent out to their parent/carers.
7. All communication will be done via phone calls or text messages. The office is manned from 8.15am - 4.00pm daily.
8. Water bottles are to be brought from home and should be taken home and washed each night, as water fountains will not be in use.
9. Each year group bubble will be allocated a specific toilet and sink to use. These will be sanitised throughout the day, alongside all frequently touched surfaces.
10. Please check that all medicines are in school and delivered to the office.
11. Bumped head/accidents will be reported to you by phone.
12. All children will need to bring their book bags every day. Any books going home will have been made Covid safe.
13. School uniform should be worn each day. Please consider the weather, as children will be outside as much as possible, so please ensure they bring a cap and sun cream.
14. No PE kit is needed. Please ensure that your child wears appropriate footwear for all activities and if they cannot tie their shoe laces they need to have Velcro.



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15. No toys or extra items that are not needed should be brought into school and likewise we will limit the resources the children can use in school, include outside play equipment e.g. footballs or the trim trail.

16. Children who cannot follow school rules and social distancing measures, will have their school place reviewed, which could result in a part time timetable or exclusion.

Any questions, please ring the office and if necessary a member of the senior leadership team will call you back.

Thank you for your ongoing support, keep safe and we all look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely,
Miss L Haskey
Acting Head Teacher



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