

24th February 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am sure you all saw the Government announcement on Monday night which informed us that all children would be returning to school on 8th March. We are really pleased about this and the teachers cannot wait to have their full classes back in school.

There are some important reminders that I wanted to share with you, in advance of the children returning.

Reminders

- All children should return to school unless they, or a member of their family, is showing any symptoms of Covid 19.
- If children are in isolation for any reason, the teacher will provide home learning for them. However, please understand that the teachers will all be working with their full classes again and therefore will not be able to give the same level of support throughout the day as they currently do.
- We have a duty to encourage all parents to send their children to school (if they are well). Therefore, if parents keep their children at home by choice, we have to treat this as an unauthorised absence and work will not be provided.
- No child will be allowed into school if they have:
 - A high temperature
 - A persistent cough
 - A loss of taste or smell
 - Any symptoms of illness that could be passed on e.g. a stomach bug.
- Please ensure that you wear a face covering if coming on to the school grounds. This only applies to adults.

Drop off

EYFS / KS1 children:

- 8:45am drop off
- 3:15pm pick up





Please drop off and pick up at the closest door to your child's classroom.

Class 1 - The class 1 outside door

Class 4 - Playground side

Class 2 and 3 - The car park side

KS2 children:

KS2 children can arrive any time from 8:35am and should go into school as soon as they arrive. The latest they should arrive is 8:45am. Children should use their class allocated entrance.

Year 5 and 6 children can leave school from 3:05pm, only if we have parents' written agreement that they can walk home alone.

Year 3 and 4 plus any y5/6 children without permission to walk home alone will leave via their allocated door.

Please note that all of the KS2 children know their allocated entrance / exit and can remind parents if they are unsure.

Car park

Parents should not drive onto the staff car park for any reason. Our main gate will be locked at the following times:

8:30am - 9am - Drop off 3pm - 3:30pm - Pick up

We have had incidents of children running behind cars and we have to put the children's safety first so our gate will stay locked between these times.

Chromebooks

It is absolutely essential that all chromebooks are returned to school on 8th March so that we can check the serial numbers and replace them into the correct classes. If you think your child's chromebook may have any damage, please contact us as soon as possible.

Our 'Bubble' system will still apply for the time being, until we are told otherwise, as will the lunchtime procedures and everything else we had in place in December.

Just to give you some reassurance, before the Christmas holiday, we were given a Covid inspection by the Government. Inspectors came and went through our risk assessments, our procedures, our routines etc. We passed with flying colours. We will continue to do everything in our power to keep your children safe while they are in our care.



Thank you so much for the fantastic job you have all done with homelearning. We are now more than ready to have your children back in school and we can't wait!

See you all on 8th March.

Best wishes

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