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Parents and Carers,

Opening of School in September 2020

I am sending out this letter to update you on our plans for opening the school for all pupils in September 2020. In order to keep everyone safe the school has a comprehensive risk assessment in place. You will be able to access this next week via the school website under the COVID-19 information page.

To avoid congestion and allow for social distancing we have staggered the starting and finishing times for each year group.

Year group	Start Time	Finish Time
Reception (from 21.09.20)	8.50am	3.20pm
Year 1	8.45am	3.15pm
Year 2	8.30am	3.00pm

To prevent parents and children gathering in the playground we will ensure your child's class team are in the classroom so your child can go in straightaway.

Please keep your distance from the classroom door and do not engage with the staff in lengthy discussions. Please remain behind the marking on the floor.

What will school 'look' like when children return?

To ensure the smooth operational running of the school, and using government advice, we have the following plans in place:

- Follow signage in the playground when entering and leaving, keeping to the left
- Children will be grouped in bubbles throughout the day. Reception and year 1 will be in year group bubbles to enable them to access outdoor learning. Year 2 will be in class bubbles and will have the opportunity to learn outdoors.





- All children are expected to be in school uniform.
- Children are allowed to bring in the following items into school; water bottles, book bags (only once a week), hats, scarves and gloves.
- The school will provide a free packed lunch for the first half term which children will eat in their bubbles. A home packed lunch will be allowed for those parents who have agreed this with school.
- If your child has any medical needs please ensure you have completed the school medical form and have brought in the relevant medicine your child may need whilst in school. Please speak to our welfare officer (Goula).
- The arrangement for changing books will be different to our normal practice. Children will receive a new book every Monday which will need to be returned to school every Friday. Please do not bring in book bags on any other day **ONLY FRIDAY**. Please note, books will be given out in the second week of term.
- More guidance on homework will be shared with you in the autumn term.
- Attendance is compulsory and we will follow our normal procedures. The school will support families that are experiencing difficulties.
- We will be offering Breakfast Club between 7.45am and 8.45am in the large hall. Please note that initially we will not be providing food, pupils will need to have breakfast before they arrive. Please contact the school office to book a place for September.
- After school club is provided by Super Star Sport, please see our flyer on the website for more information.
- No other clubs will be running for the autumn term.
- Only one adult will be allowed to drop off and collect your child from school.
- Please do not let your children play on any of the equipment before and after school.





- If you want to speak to a member of staff please ring to make an appointment. Visits to school are by appointment only.
- We have strict procedures to follow if a child shows symptoms of COVID-19. Please note our procedures are clearly outlined in the school risk assessment. If your child feels unwell at any point in the day we will inform you straightway. It is very important that you collect your child as soon as possible. When you collect your child you will be given further guidance by the school.
- **Please do not give you child Calpol or any other painkiller to treat symptoms of COVID-19 in order to send them to school.**

We understand that some parents and pupils may be anxious about returning to school in September and we will be ready to offer support. Our staff have been very busy planning and preparing for your child's return, and their well-being is our highest priority. The curriculum has been adjusted to support this.

Thank you for all your effort in supporting your child with their home learning over the last term. It has been lovely seeing some of the work they have produced. For those pupils who have attended school we hope they have enjoyed their learning and seeing the staff and their friends. We particularly wish the year 2 pupils all the best with their move to their new school.

Have a lovely summer, stay safe, and we look forward to seeing you in September.

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