

24 February 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: Full Re-opening of School from 8th March 2021

We are very pleased to be able to welcome you all back to school on Monday 8th March 2021. We have all missed normal school life and it is good to finally be able to open the school up fully again.

With the increase in numbers of people being vaccinated and the lowering of COVID cases, we are feeling more positive. However, to ensure schools can stay open this time, it is very important that we all follow the guidance on social distancing, wearing face coverings and washing hands.

When the children return to school we will continue to follow the procedures we used when we returned in September 2020. For the most part, drop off and collection arrangements will be the same. We have adjusted collection times for some groups. Your family's drop off and collection times are at the bottom of this letter. Please adhere to these times.

We really want this to be the last time we need to shut our school. Therefore, we ask that all parents/guardians and pupils adhere to the following:

- Arrive at the correct time, do not come to the school gate early as this causes crowding outside the school and risks the spread of COVID
- Keep a 2-metre distance between your family and other families at all times
- Wear a face covering (adults) on the school premises and when waiting in line outside
- Enter and leave using the one-way system – please don't ask to leave through the entrance gate as we will have to say no.
- Continue to report any cases of COVID or if someone in your household develops symptoms; self-isolate and take a test as necessary.
- Make an appointment if you need to come into the school office or phone the school.

Next week, teachers will be phoning you to have a consultation meeting. We would appreciate it if you could take the call when the teacher phones. If it is not convenient, the teacher will do their utmost to make another phone appointment with you. This call will take 10 minutes. It will provide an opportunity for you to let the teacher know how your child has got on with their learning and wellbeing at home. This information is important so that we can prepare for your child's return.

When the children return, we will need to assess them all again. This will take place in the first three weeks. Then we will start our curriculum which will be designed to track back over learning the children may have missed. It is extremely important that all children attend school every day to give them the best chance at getting back on track with their learning.

On Friday the 5th March 2021, the teacher will not be on Google Classroom. They will post work for the children. All staff will be in school preparing classrooms and planning work for the children's return.

Thank you all for the huge effort you have put in to home learning with your children. We understand how challenging that has been for many of you, given all the other things you have had to cope with at this time. We hope that the children's return to school helps to bring some level of normality back into your lives. Thank you also for all the kind messages we received during lockdown – not to mention all the lovely biscuits and chocolates we received! We were heartened by your kindness.

Check the details below for your family. These are the same as they were in September except for the slight change in collection times for Group A and Group B.

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| <p>Group A: Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children with no brothers or sisters in school and Reception and Year 1 children with younger brothers or sisters in school.</p> <p>Nursery, Reception and Year 1 with older brothers or sisters in school are in Group B or D below.</p> | |
| <p>Drop Off – 8.55am Camden Street Main Entrance – drop children at classroom door. Exit by Bayham Place Gate.</p> | <p>Collection – 3.10pm Come to Camden Street Main Entrance. Collect children from classroom door. Exit by the Bayham Place Gate.</p> |
| <p>Group B: Year 2 and Year 3 children with no brothers or sisters in school and Year 2 and Year 3 children with younger brothers or sisters in school.</p> <p>Year 2 and Year 3 children with older brothers or sisters in school are in Group D below.</p> | |
| <p>Drop Off – 8.55am Camden Street Main Entrance – Year 2 and 3 children come in by themselves. Drop younger siblings at the classroom door.</p> <p>If parent enters premises, exit by Bayham Place Gate.</p> | <p>Collection – 3.20pm Come to Camden Street Main Entrance. Collect Year 2 & 3 children from front playground (Key Stage 1 Playground) before collecting younger siblings from their classrooms.</p> <p>Exit by Bayham Place Gate.</p> |
| <p>Group C: Children in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 who have no brothers or sisters in school.</p> | |
| <p>Drop Off – 8.40am Camden Street Main Entrance – Parents drop children at gate. Children come in by themselves.</p> | <p>Collection – 3.30pm Come to Camden Street Main Entrance. Collect Year 4, 5 and 6 children from front playground (Key Stage 1 Playground). Exit by Bayham Place Gate.</p> |
| <p>Group D: Children in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 who have younger brothers or sisters in school. Younger brothers and sisters from Nursery to Year 3 will join their older sibling in Year 4, Year 5 or Year 6 for collection.</p> | |
| <p>Drop Off – 8.50am School Pitch Entrance on Camden Street nearest school building. Parents drop children at the gate and leave promptly. Staff will be there to receive children from all year groups.</p> | <p>Collection – 3.30pm Come to Pitch Entrance on Camden Street nearest school building. Collect Year 4, 5 and 6 children who will have younger brothers and sisters standing with them. Promptly follow the one-way system to exit through the Pitch gate by the Community Centre.</p> |

We look forward to welcoming you all back.

Best wishes,



Kathy Bannon
HEADTEACHER