



Peace, Love, Service - a Church of England School

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Dear Parents and Carers

A very warm welcome to the new academic year and we are really delighted to be welcoming all children in all year groups back to school tomorrow. It has been such a strange time for everyone and when we were told by the government to close for most children on the 20th March, I'm not sure anyone could have imagined that it would be the 4th September when we would be able to open fully again once more.

Despite the government deeming it to be safe for schools to reopen for all, there are many safety measures and procedures that have had to be put in place to reduce the risks to both children and staff now we are back at full capacity. These are explained more fully in our risk assessment which can be found on our school website but I felt it important to summarise the key points for you here:

- No child or member of staff displaying any symptoms will be allowed into school. They will be sent home and asked to have a test before returning to school.
- Children will work in class bubbles working consistently with the same staff whenever possible.
- Key stage bubbles will be used at break times and lunchtimes and in our wrap around care.
- Increased hygiene and cleaning measures will be in place and rigorously implemented
- Classrooms have been adapted to minimize close contact and avoid the sharing of equipment
- The school will have staggered start and end times to minimize the number of children entering the school at one time. Timings are as follows:

	School Start Time	School End Time
Reception	9.15	2.45 (when full time)
Year 1/2	9.05	2.55
Year 3/4	8.55	3.15
Year 5/6	8.45	3.05

***Where families have siblings in more than one class, families should drop off at the earliest start time and collect at the latest finish time.**

- Drop off and pick up will take place on the school driveway and parents will not normally be allowed beyond this point.
- The school will use a one-way system around the building and on the school driveway
- Children should wear school uniform but on PE days should wear PE kit all day

Regarding our curriculum offer this academic year, we are very keen to return to our full 'normal' curriculum as soon as possible but we are also very aware that children will need some time to get back into the school routine and re-familiarise themselves with the environment and routines of school as well as in many cases a new classroom and teacher. There will therefore be a focus around building relationships and wellbeing early in the term but we hope to get back to teaching the full curriculum as soon as we can.

We very much look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow morning and if you have any questions please don't hesitate in contacting me via the school office on the phone or on email.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Wallace', written in a cursive style.

Mr Wallace