

11<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents,

The Government announcement on Tuesday and subsequent press coverage has no doubt been at the forefront of your thoughts. The Secretary of State for Education stated in his address to Parliament: "While we are not able to welcome all primary children back for a full month before the summer, we continue to work with the sector on the next steps, where we would like schools that have the capacity to bring back more children – in those smaller class sizes - to do so if they are able to before the summer holidays." I am pleased to be able to tell you that we are able welcome back all children from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June until the end of term. The children will be in learning groups, in the same way that we have already welcomed YR, Y1 and Y6. Individual year group letters will be sent to parents today to give you the details for your children. Please read this carefully and note that we request your initial decision by 3:00pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>.

I must stress that these arrangements at present are for the remainder of the term. We are keeping them under constant review in light of the daily guidance from the Department for Education and following Government statements. At the present time, what September may look like is an unknown!

In order to ensure the safety of the children and the parents as we welcome back more classes, drop off and pick up times are five-minute windows which must be strictly adhered to. Please do not arrive earlier than the time frame for your child. The one-way system through the playground must be observed, once you have come onto school premises at the top of the drive you must follow the one-way system. As your child is released for collection, please move towards the pick-up area by YR and Y1 classrooms to then escort your child promptly from the premises. Should you have children in more than one year group, then, having collected your first child, please move to the back of the playground to await the next time slot. Please remember that the Government guidelines for adults remains 2 m social distancing at present. I enclose the drop off and pick up windows for all classes below.

Year group	Arrival window	Pick up arrival not before	Pick up dismissal
R	8:40 – 8:45	2:40	2:45
1	8:55 – 9:00	2:55	3:00
2	8:45 – 8:50	2:45	2:50
3	8:50 – 8:55	2:50	2:55
4	8:30 – 8:35	2:30	2:35
5	8:35 – 8:40	2:35	2:40
6	8:25 – 8:30	2:25	2:30

Please may I request that all parents whose children are bringing a packed lunch from home ensure that the children can self-manage their lunch as it is not appropriate for the staff to be handling the children's food and other items. Do remember that your child is welcome to bring a fruit snack for break-time, and must bring a water bottle daily. May I also remind you that for the safety of the staff forgotten items cannot be given to your child

during the school day – please encourage your child to check that they have their water bottle, jumper, sun-hat/coat, and if required their lunch-box and snack.

It has been brought to my attention that some Y6 children who are walking to school independently are not crossing the High Street with Mr Frankum. I appreciate that this may mean they have to walk a little further, but their safety outweighs this. Please remind your child to cross immediately outside of school. I do apologise that, due to unexpected circumstances, this morning Mr Frankum was unable to be outside as usual, and I was not able to cover. This should not happen again.

We are very much looking forward to being able to see all the children from 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Those children who have been welcomed back have adapted and settled to the new routines so well, are happy and enjoying their learning.

Mrs K. Tamlyn  
Head Teacher