



1st January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your children back to school next week. Following the recent government announcement, we can confirm that our school will be **open** as planned from next week and all children are expected to return. The government has published a list of local authority areas where they feel primary schools should not reopen, but no area of Surrey is currently on that list. **Therefore, our start to term will begin as planned on Tuesday 5th January.**

Please be assured that we are rigorously following the risk assessments and infection control measures laid down by the DfE, and will continue to keep these under review, following all government guidance. As a school we are committed to doing whatever we can to protect children and staff whilst doing our very best to deliver learning within the government expectations.

Just a few important reminders as we begin our new term, which we will appreciate your support with:

- Please only enter the school site wearing a face covering.
- Please ensure as much distance as possible with other parents or if you talk to staff at the gate.
- Where possible, please ensure only one adult is dropping off and collecting your child on our school site.
- Sticking to the timings for your child's year group drop off and pick up as much as possible will minimise any crowding, and please always leave the school site promptly. The timings for the school day, as of the beginning of this term, are listed here as follows (previously shared with you at the end of last term):

Mornings

Reception classes – main gate entrance from 8:30am
Year 1 and 2 – main gate entrance from 8:40am
Year 3 and 4 – car park gate entrance from 8:40am
Year 5 and 6 – main gate entrance from **8:50am [change]**

Older siblings may still be dropped off with their younger brothers or sisters if required.

Afternoons

Classes will be released from the same doors as at present

Reception class – finish at **2:40pm [change]**



Year 1 and 2 – finish at 2:50pm
Year 3 and 4 – finish at 3.00pm
Year 5 and 6 – finish at **3.10pm [change]**

Please be mindful that this is an ever-changing situation, and the government may make changes to their plans accordingly – which we will then have to implement. However, until that point, we will continue to work within all current expectations and will always inform you swiftly with as much notice as is possible if and when any further changes are made.

Finally, if your child is unwell, and showing any COVID symptoms, **please do not send them into school**. If your child or anyone in your household has COVID symptoms, then please get a test. Working together, we can all aim to minimise any spread and this will enable the school to take swift action where necessary.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Headteacher

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co-Heads of School