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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will already know we are open to all pupils from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Whilst it is tempting to feel as if we can relax restrictions, I would ask that all parents and carers read the information below carefully before returning to school tomorrow as we remain within a pandemic with prevention measures in place. Guidance has been released and there is very little change to the guidance for September 2020. I have highlighted recent changes below.

Infection levels are consistent with where we were in December 2020 therefore it is vital that we remain vigilant and keep all of our preventative measures in place. All staff, pupils, parents and carers have responsibility in keeping with the arrangements that have been put in place in order to minimise the spread of the virus. We need to remain vigilant and even more so with the new strain of the virus.

Arrangements:-

- To minimise parent contact, there is a 10 minute window to drop off and collect your child(ren).
- As long as your child arrives and is collected at some point in the 10 minute window for their year group, they will not be registered as late for either drop off or pick up.
- You have time within the 10 minute window to drop off/collect, then go.
- Drop off and collection points remain the same as the Autumn term.
- EYFS parents please stagger entry into the EYFS area at pick up. Your children will not be released until you are visible so please wait until the EYFS area is less busy before approaching.
- No pupils, parents or carers should arrive <u>before</u> the window opens for their year group. If you are early, your child(ren) in EYFS, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 <u>must stand and wait with parents/carers</u> until the school opens to them and the member of staff appears. There is space for you to stand socially distant from others.
- Years 4, 5 and 6 can come straight round to their classrooms.
- If you are early because you have more than one child attending school, the waiting child must stand with you and wait with you in one of the waiting zones. Please tell your children that they cannot run around.
- If your child cannot stand with you, come at the <u>end</u> of your 10 minute window.
- Parents and carers may be asked to disperse by members of staff if they are in a group, even outside the school premises.
- A face covering should be worn by parents/carers during drop of and pick up, unless exempt.
- Pupils, parents and carers must leave the school site within their window.
- In rain or snow doors will not open early.













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- Please continue to use the covid@email to inform us immediately of any positive test results/symptoms and awaiting test results.
- Should the school receive news of a positive case parents will be contacted immediately and your child's bubble will close.

Year Group	Drop off	Pick up
EYFS	08:55	15:10
1	08:55	15:10
2	08:45	15:00
3	08:40	15:00
4	08:40	15:00
5	08:30	14:50
6	08:30	14:50

Timings of the school day from 8<sup>th</sup> March for all pupils.

In addition, classrooms need to be well ventilated so please get children to wear additional layers. Coats may need to be worn in the classrooms. Some members of staff may choose to wear a visor while working with the children and a face covering in communal areas other than classrooms. This is personal preference and not an expectation of all school staff. Face coverings will not be worn in classrooms but will be worn by staff during drop off and pick up. There is no requirement for pupils to wear a face covering.

Thank you all for your support in keeping us all safe.

We look forward to seeing the children on March 8th.

Best wishes,

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