



4th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

First of all, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year. I hope that you all managed to enjoy Christmas even if it was different to normal.

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to school tomorrow. However, the next few weeks may be uncertain as COVID-19 continues to dominate the way we live our lives at the moment and we are once again facing further restrictions and safety measures in the hope of bringing down the infection rate across the country. These restrictions, as you know, came into effect on December 30th 2020.

Although this does not directly affect the procedures we have in place at school, it serves as a reminder that we need to continue to:

- Encourage the social distancing between adults coming to and from school
- Ensure we are not gathering in groups at the school gates
- Ask our parents and carers to wear a face mask (if not exempt)

For the safety of all, staff will only speak to parents at the gate if both parties are wearing a face mask. Can I please ask that parents without masks (who may be exempt) pass on any messages to staff by telephoning the school office?

May I also remind parents, carers and children who arrive at school on their own, to arrive at the allocated times to avoid congestion and to leave promptly.

Staggered starts and finished will continue as normal. Please stick to the allocated times and in the morning bring all children together at the latest time.

**Foundation** will enter and exit through the front door.

Drop off will be at **9.00am** and pick up at **3.20pm**

**Years 1 and 2** will enter and exit via the side gates on the bottom playground.

Drop off will be at **9.00am** and pick up at **3.20pm**

**Years 3 and 4** will enter and exit via the side gates on the bottom playground.

Drop off will be at **8.50am** and pick up will be at **3.10pm**

**Years 5 and 6** will enter and exit via the side gates on the bottom playground.

Drop off will be at **8.40am** and pick up will be at **3.00pm**

Should a national lockdown be announced later today or later this week, school will be open for key worker and vulnerable children only. The office are working hard to collate this information as quickly as possible. We will require 24 hours to put this in place, so if you are a critical worker please ensure you have an alternative provision for the first day of lockdown as school will not be open.

Should we need to revert to home learning, our remote learning plan is outlined on the school website and your child will need to be logged into their Seesaw account to access this. Please contact your child's class teacher for login details if needed.

If you do not have any devices in your household, we may, in exceptional circumstances, be able to loan you a laptop until face to face teaching resumes. These are very limited in number and will be allocated at the discretion of the Head Teacher. Please email or phone the school office for details.

As always, thank you for your continued support. I will update you with further information as soon as I know any more.

Yours sincerely



Mrs R Ayres  
Head Teacher