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Dear Parents

After Mr Johnson’s announcement regarding the next step of restrictions lifting, I am now in a position to inform you of changes to the running of the school for the rest of this term and how we will start in September.

Until the end of term, we are going to continue to follow the same routines that are currently in place, with the exception of the wearing of masks. We have decided to make the wearing of masks on the playground voluntary from Monday 19th July. However, if you need to come into school for anything you must be wearing a mask. As Mr Johnson repeated several times we need to be cautious.

When we return in September we will keep the staggered times for the start and end of the day as these have worked really well reducing parking issues and reducing congestion outside the school gates. The times for each year group will remain the same:

8.30am - 3.00pm – Year 6 and Year 4

8.45am - 3.15pm – Year 5 and Year 3

In the morning the arrangements will remain as they are at the moment, you drop your children off at the gate, however in the afternoon you will be able to come onto the playground to pick them up; the only exception will be for the new Year 3 children. On Thursday 2nd September and Friday 3rd of September parents of our new Year 3 children will be able to walk their children down onto the playground in the mornings where they will be met with staff to show the children into school. As usual, there will be staff on the gate supervising the start and end of the day as that is our favourite part of the day!

We are still going to ask that if you need to speak to someone in school that you telephone the office or of course speak to the staff at the gate. This has worked so well during the pandemic and we would appreciate you doing this rather than just popping in to the office. Thank you.

In school, things will change as we will no longer have to have class bubbles. Children will not have to eat in the classrooms anymore as we will be able to have more than one year group in the hall and we will be able to come together in assemblies. We are still going to provide all the equipment for the children so they will not be required to bring any stationery into school. The only time this will change will be in Year 6 as part of getting them ready for senior school. The Year 6 team will be in contact about this in the Autumn Term. Our new Year 3 children will all get their own book bag when they start in September.



“Working as a team means “T.E.A.M. – Together Everyone Achieves More”

All of our before and after school clubs will be able to start again and a timetable of clubs will be sent out in September.

The calendar for the year has been planned out and we will share this with you all in September. We are all looking forward to the easing of restrictions but, as with everything, these changes still come with a cautionary note as we are not sure that, with the rising cases, further restrictions could be implemented over the summer break. However, we will keep you all informed before school starts in September.

The link below is provided by the DfE and gives information for you if you wish to have further details.

[What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19](#)

Thank you so much for your continued support. We look forward to working with you and all of your children in September in what should be more normal school routines.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Tucker
Headteacher

