Dear Parents

We are really looking forward to the new school year. Children start back Wednesday the 8th of September. We hope that we can have a more normal year in 21/22. We will however adapt and respond accordingly when things happen.

Guidance is that children will no longer need to isolate if they have been in contact with a positive case, so hopefully we will not be in a situation where we are required to close classes in the same way as previously. If there are multiple case however, we will still be required to seek guidance and act where appropriate.

In terms of isolation therefore it is vital that if a child shows any COVID -19 symptoms that a parent keeps the child at home and takes them for a PCR test. If a child has symptoms in school we will continue to send them home and request parents get a PCR test. The child will be able to return if the test is negative. You have been brilliant at supporting us with this so far.

Start and end of the day

We will continue to have staggered starts and ends to the day. This will be reviewed at the end of September. Any children arriving after 9.00am, need to come into school via the main reception and be signed in.

Drop off

Children will go straight into class, through their class entrance, when they arrive rather than queuing up. We would still ask you to arrive close to the entry times below but rather than waiting, children will go straight to class. If you have children in more than one class, arrive at the earliest time and again, the children should go straight to their classes. The school building will open at 8.45am, please do not arrive before this time. We would then ask parents to quickly leave the school site and return home. We will not require adults to wear masks outside, however in the building we request that they continue to do so to minimise risks.

Start of day			
Time	Year Group	Place	
8.45am	Nursery	Infant playground	
	Year 2	West Side Path	
	Year 6	After school club	
		door	
8.50am	Reception	Infant playground	
	Year 1	West Side Path	
	Year 5	After school club	
		door	
8.55am	Year 3	West Side Path	
	Year 4	After school club	
		door	

Pick up

You will continue to collect Y3-6 children from the Junior yard. If you are collecting a child from Year 1-2, you will then go down to the Key Stage 2 yard to pick up your other child/children. If you only have children in Year 3-6, you will collect them from the junior yard at the Key Stage 2 time (below). Please come on time so that you do not have to wait around.

There will be a one-way system in place, and parents will then make their way out of school having collected their children. Parents are asked to enter the junior yard via the school drive and car park, cross the yard where your children will join you, then exit the playground and school via the West Side Path. There should be no stopping on the playground, play equipment is strictly out of bounds at this time and a sensible social distancing should be maintained between families. Hopefully, this will reduce the groups hanging around waiting for children to leave school.

Home time				
3.00pm	Reception	KS1 Yard	Parents pick up KS1 children and exit.	
3.05pm	Year 1	West Side Path	If they have children in KS2, you	
3.10pm	Year 2	West Side Path	follow a one-way system down the	
3.15pm	KS2 – Y3, 4, 5, 6	1-way system down drive	school drive, around the KS2 yard collecting their child, then up the west-side path. No stopping once you have your child! KS2 children to line up outside and watch for their own parent.	

Letters and communication

Letters and communication will be through personal email, social media including class Facebook pages, and the school website. Please make sure you have provided your class teacher with a working email, so we can make sure you don't miss any information.

Other questions and queries are answered in the frequently asked questions document. If you are unsure of anything and need to talk to us, please don't hesitate to give us a call.

We look forward to seeing you all on the 8th of September.

Regards,

Mr Smith