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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of our pupils in this week for the transition events. I hope to see the rest of you next week.

We are also holding transition events for our new starters – we can't wait to welcome you into school!

Whilst the children have been grouped into their house teams, for transition, this will not be the case in September. We will be opening to ALL children from September and the children all the children from one class will be together. We will still be operating a 'bubble' system, whereby the children remain with their bubble all day and will not mix across the bubbles.

We will be staggering pick-up and drop-off times, along with play and dinner. We will not be able to hold Friday celebration worship. However, I intend to alternate the year groups attending worship in the hall with myself, whilst live-feed zooming our worship to each classroom, as we feel it is still important for the whole school to 'come together' each week.

We will be providing hot meals for all children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2, who will eat at different times in the hall. Due to health and safety rules and dinner hall availability, any Years 3-6 who order a school lunch will be provided with a packed lunch school meal, which they will eat in their classrooms.

I am currently awaiting further clarification on After School Club – we hope to be able to offer this provision, but we await further clarification on the rules enabling us to mix bubbles after school.

We will be monitoring attendance from September. All children should attend school, full-time, unless there are special medical reasons, supported by a medical professional, preventing your child from returning. The children will be expected to wear their school uniform. School bags may be brought into school from the 2nd September. All children should bring in a named drinks bottle filled with water.

Year 4 will not be able to go swimming - this is under review for after the autumn term. We have also moved the Year 6 Borwick Hall residential to March, the 24th – 26th, as schools cannot currently stay on overnight trips. Mrs. Parkinson will be sending notification of this trip via Parentpay.

The list of staggered pick-up and drop-off times follow at the bottom of this letter. These must be strictly adhered to, as we will have many more parents entering and exiting the school grounds each day, from September. You will only be allowed to enter the playground at your allocated time. There will be more parents on the playground so please do adhere to social distancing measures and follow the one-way signs around the playground. Parents using the back playground should enter by the side gate and exit via the church gate. Please remember that only one parent can accompany their child to school. Thank you for your understanding.

I would like, once again, to thank you all for your support – we have been so impressed with the home-schooling activities that you have undertaken and do appreciate your patience and understanding as we get used to working in a completely different way. The safety of the children and staff is of paramount importance, and we have put into place many measures to ensure school is as safe as we can possibly make it, whilst also providing love, care and a quality education to all our pupils.

Yours sincerely,

C. Armstrong

Head teacher

	Drop-off times:	Pick-up times:
EYFS	8:45*	3:05*
Year 1	8:45	3:05
Year 2	8:55	3:10
Year 3	9:00	3:15
Year 4	8:45 (PAV)	3:15 (PAV)
Year 5	8:50	3:20
Year 6	8:50(PAV)	3:20(PAV)

***New Starters EYFS September 2020:**

On Wednesday 2nd September, we are inviting our new starters to join us from 9:30 and to be picked up between 2:45 and 3:00pm. This is to ensure we give our new starters – and their parents – more time to get used to the school routine and say their goodbyes - due to our social distancing regulations. Normal EYFS opening times will resume the next day, Thursday 3rd September.

