



Red Marsh School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back

This week, it has been wonderful to welcome our pupils back to school. All the pupils have been amazing; they have been happy, settled and have worked hard. We are proud of them all. We also welcome nine new pupils and their families into our very special school community.

Thank you

I would like to thank all the parents, carers and staff for helping our pupils achieve such a great start back to school. Thank you for following our risk assessment and new school procedures and for working with your child during the summer holidays to complete the activities provided as part of our Return and Recovery Curriculum.

Health and Safety - Updates on Procedures and Risk Assessments

As a school we are constantly reflecting on our procedures in order to maximise the safety of all our pupils and staff during these unprecedented times as we work during this pandemic. We continue to develop our guidance and risk assessments to reflect current practices and changing guidance from the government and Lancashire County Council. Please see below for our most recent updates.

School Bags

It is important for everyone's safety that we reduce the potential transmission of Covid-19 from home to school. Therefore we are requesting bags should not be brought into school unless absolutely necessary. However, if your child is wearing a face mask you must provide a small sealed bag for them to keep their face mask safely stored when not in use.

Communication

To reduce items coming in and out of school we will be replacing our home school diaries with a home school email. The email correspondence between home and school should be used like the home school diaries. Please note to ensure we are compliant with data protection all correspondence through the home school email will be kept on a secure class iPad which will remain in school.

If your message is urgent, or you have any concerns that you feel are not being met, please ring the school office and your message will be passed to the teacher.

Facebook and Twitter

As well as our text messages, information letters and newsletters, the school has an information page on Facebook and Twitter which is updated regularly. We appreciate parents taking the time to like our posts and make positive comments. However, it is important to note that Facebook and Twitter are not a means of communicating with school. The purpose of our Facebook and Twitter page is to provide information about school. Our Facebook and Twitter posts can be easily accessed through a smartphone or in the case of Facebook directly through the school website home page www.redmarsh.lancs.sch.uk.

Transport

Transport was a little fraught on the first day! The situation has improved as the week has progressed.

It is a team effort by pupils, staff, parents, carers and LCC drivers/escorts to ensure the safety of all at the start and the end of the day. Following consultation we have made minor changes to the times for arriving at school. The times below will commence on Monday 07th September.

09:05 – Parents and Carers

09:20 – LCC Transport (when LCC buses are on the premises, all other transport will need to avoid entering school premises)

14:55 – Parents and Carers

15:15 – LCC Transport when LCC buses are on the premises, all other transport will need to avoid entering school premises)

Please can parents and carers, when dropping off and collecting drive towards the front of school forming a circular queue. You will be directed by a member of staff.

If we all continue to keep within these timeframes and procedures I am confident that our routines at the beginning and end of the school day will begin to, hopefully, run like clockwork!

Return and Recovery Curriculum

We have been working very hard to ensure we are providing your child with a broad, balanced and stimulating Return and Recovery Curriculum.

Update on the Return and Recovery Curriculum:

- 1) Packs were sent home over the summer holidays to help transition your child back to school. We hope you found these helpful.
- 2) During the summer holidays teachers have planned a full curriculum for your child, which initially emphasises the importance of establishing new routines, re-establishing relationships and exploring pupils' feelings and experiences.
- 3) Our INSET day on Tuesday 01st September included virtual training from an Educational Psychologist regarding the most effective way to deliver a Return and Recovery Curriculum to support the needs of all our pupils.
- 4) For the first fortnight of this term we will be continuing to provide a curriculum which focuses on establishing new routines, re-establishing relationships and exploring pupils' feelings and experiences through our broad, balanced and stimulating curriculum.

Next week you will receive further information about the curriculum this will include:

1. Personalised Learning Intention Targets (PLITs) for your child

Your child's Personalised Learning Intention Targets (PLITs). As part of your **child's homework** please take opportunities to practise your child's personalised targets.

2. A Class Curriculum Map

Pupils' Personalised Learning Intention Targets are taught through stimulating class topics. The topic your child will be taught is outlined on the curriculum map, sent home each term. The curriculum map outlines the subjects that your child will be enjoying this term. As part of your child's homework please help your child to find or research: objects, pictures or information about the class topic, these can then be shared in school.

If you require any help or advice please let the class teacher know. All class curriculum maps will be emailed to you and can also be found on the school website under the parent log in:

Username- **Redmarshparent** Password- **Windmill**

Yours sincerely, Catherine Dellow