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September: Start and Finish Times

Dear Parents,

Following current guidelines, we expect to open full-time in September. To ensure children are kept safe and class bubbles remain separate, it is necessary to operate staggered start and finish times to the school day. This will help keep both children and parents safe by reducing the number of people outside the gates, and entering through the gates at any one time.

Organising this with only one entrance and over 420 child has been a challenge and I understand that this may be an inconvenience for some parents. However, our primary duty is always to keep the children safe so I know that you will work with us to support this system. We have carefully considered different options and we feel that this is preferable to a phased-return where children come back to school on a part-time timetable.

We have had to consider numerous factors in staggering the start and finish to the day including: reducing parent and pupil numbers at the entrance to school; maintaining reasonable start and finish times for all pupils; maintaining a similar length of the school day for pupils relative to their age group.

I ask that all parents carefully read the start and finish times for pupils in September. Children must get to school in their allotted time slot ready to line up for their teacher. Parents who are late and miss their child's time slot will be asked to come back at the next safe time to enter school, which is likely to be once all other classes have gone in. Likewise, at the end of the day, parents must be on time to collect their children.

As we have a very limited space outside school, I also ask that you do not arrive early and once your child has gone into school, you leave the gates ready for the next group of parents to bring their children in. If you have more than one child in our school and they are entering school in different time slots, please wait away from the school entrance between slots and leave as soon as your last child has entered school.





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Walking to school is preferable, but if you have to drive, please park a short distance from the school and walk to the gates, rather than driving up to the entrance. No parking will be permitted on the pavements on either side.

In the morning, teachers will be ready to receive the children in their allotted time slot at either the pedestrian gate (right) or the vehicle gate (left). Children will then then be called through to line up for their teacher, before going into class. At the end of the day, teachers will bring their class to the gate and dismiss the children.

These are the times for drop-off and collection for NEW SEPTEMBER 2020 CLASSES:

Start	Gate A (Pedestrian side)	Gate B (Vehicle side)	Gate C (Vehicle side)
8:30	Y1 Skylarks	Y2 Kingfishers	Y3 Merlins
8:35	Y2 Woodpeckers	Y3 Eagles	Y4 Kestrels
8:40	Y1 Nightingales	Y6 Snowy Owls	Y5 Peregrines
8:45			Y5 Sparrowhawks
8:50		Y4 Ospreys	Y6 Tawny Owls

Finish	Gate A (Pedestrian side)	Gate B (Vehicle side)	Gate C (Vehicle side)
2:50	Y1 Skylarks	Y2 Kingfishers	Y2 Woodpeckers
3:00	Y1 Nightingales	Y3 Eagles	Y3 Merlins
3:10	Y4 Kestrels	Y6 Snowy Owls	Y5 Peregrines
3:20	Y5 Sparrowhawks	Y4 Ospreys	Y6 Tawny Owls

(New Reception and Ducklings will be informed separately).

We will of course follow government guidance on school safety and make any adjustments to this routine as necessary. I ask that you follow the timings carefully and help us to ensure children come into school safely and happily each morning.

Many thanks

Mrs Johnson,
Principal

