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Dear Parents and Carers,

Return to school information September 2020

ALL children are expected to return to school in September. I know some parents and children will be anxious about this. I know some families have been dealing with very difficult situations. School will support children with their emotional wellbeing as a priority. Please make sure you tell the teacher of any bereavements, illnesses or job losses, this will help us to help your child.

In order to support your child's return Governors have approved the following adjustments to the school day and routines.

Induction sessions will be: -

Thursday 3rd September (No before or after school care available)

Year 6 9am until 1pm

Year 4 10am until 2pm

Year 2 9.30am until 1.30pm

Reception and Nursery will start week beg 7th. Mrs Williams, Early Years leader, and her team will contact parents directly regarding a bespoke induction programme.

Friday 4th September (No before or after school care available)

Year 5 9am until 1pm

Year 3 10am until 2pm

Year 1 9.30am until 1.30 pm

From Monday the 7th September the arrangements are:

8.50 am until 2.50 pm ALL Year 6, Year 4 and Year 2 children

9.20 am until 3.20pm ALL Year 5, Year 3 and Year 1 children

Note the change of hours. This is to help keep our community SAFE. You MUST adhere to these times for each year group.

Doors will be open 10 mins before start time, late children may not be admitted, and closed 10 mins after finishing times. Parents who are late may be asked to pay for childcare.

There will limited before and after school care available. (8.10 am until 4.40pm)

This must be booked and paid for in advance or children won't be admitted.

Children are expected to be in school EVERY day from 7th September onwards.

Children are to wear uniform if possible. Uniform will not be sold at school.

Ensuring CLEAN clothes every day.



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School holiday dates are:

23rd October until 2nd November 2020– half term
23rd October and 2nd November are teacher training days– no children in school
21st December 2020 – 1st January 2021 Christmas break
15th - 19th February – half term
2nd April – 16th April 2021 Easter holiday
3rd May – Bank holiday
31st May – 4th June 2021 half term
22nd July – 31st August 2021 Summer holiday
1 teacher training day has not been allocated.

Actions to support the safe return of children and reassure parents include: - (not the full list)

Thorough risk assessment completed for whole site
PPE purchased and distributed
Handwashing routines enforced and hand gel available
Temperatures taken at the start and end of the day
Updated parent agreement- if you send your child to school then you are agreeing to this. Details on the website
Children working, eating and playing in smaller groups. (the Government use the terminology BUBBLES)
Classroom seating plan adjustments to face forward Y2- Y6
Lunchtime routines changed.
No assemblies of more than 1 BUBBLE
Some staff in school on a rota basis to decrease numbers on site where possible
Use of Class Charts app to decrease paper sent home and returned to school.
Moving towards being a cashless school. Mrs Sanghera is investigating online payment systems
Where possible parent meetings will be held online/ via phone
No public/ parent toilet will be available on site.
I hope this helps you prepare for September.

Going but not forgotten!!

Goodbye and good luck to Mrs Hayward who has been promoted to Deputy Headteacher in Wolverhampton.
Goodbye (only for a short while) to Ms Povey who has adopted a little girl.
Goodbye to Mrs Newbury, Mrs. Rafique and Ms Khatun – good luck with your plans
Goodbye and good luck to all our wonderful Y6 children. I hope you treasure the end of year gifts we hand delivered to you!

Kind regards
Ms Cherry and the Governing body.