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Dear Parents and Carers,

September 2020

We are delighted to announce that in line with the current Government guidance, we will be welcoming all pupils back to school full-time from Thursday 3rd September. We can't wait to see our school community back together again!

We will of course be following the Government guidance very closely to ensure that everyone is kept as safe as possible. **This will mean classes/year groups remaining in bubbles (with staggered starts, breaks, lunches and finishes), strict handwashing and hygiene procedures.**

To accommodate having all the children back on site, we will be making **some temporary slight changes to the timings of the day and how everyone enters and leaves the school site.**

We appreciate there will be variations to the timings below for Nursery and Reception during their first couple of weeks. A separate letter has been sent containing the details.

Timings:

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.00pm

Year 3 to Year 6 will start at 9.00am and finish at 3.15pm

(If you have children in multiple year groups, they should arrive at 8.45am and leave at 3.15pm)

Entrances (map attached):

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 will enter the site from the Community Centre Side Gate. Parents of these pupils will be allowed on site initially.

- Nursery will enter their classroom via the white entrance porch as normal.
- Reception will enter through the double purple gates in their outdoor area.
- Year 1 will line up on the designated playground spots outside their classroom.

Year 2, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 will enter the site through the School House Gates and each class will line up in their designated area. Staff will direct them. Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed on site.

Year 3 will enter the site via the Car Park Pedestrian Gate and enter their classroom via the small gate next to the front entrance to school. Staff will direct children.

To limit the number of adults on and around the site entrances, we respectfully ask that where possible, only one adult accompanies their child(ren) to school. If at all possible, we would ask that those parents entering the site

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(Nursery to Y1 only) do not bring pushchairs. This will help reduce congestion and aid social distancing along the side path.



Lunches:

Children who are entitled to Free School Meals and Universal Free School Meals (Reception to Year 2) will be provided with a meal. All other meals should be ordered via the Kingswood Catering website as normal. Children are of course, welcome to bring packed lunches from home if they wish.

We would ask that children bring water bottles filled with plain water to drink throughout the day. Flavoured water and squash are not permitted in class.

Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club will not be available initially, in line with the Trust guidance. We will endeavor to get up and running as soon as possible.

Uniform:

All children are expected to wear full school uniform (including shoes) every day. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about uniform orders.

Attendance:

The Government guidance is clear that it is compulsory for all children to attend school from September and our normal attendance procedures will be in place. If your child is unable to attend for any reason, please call the school office to report the absence.

We know that many adults and children will be feeling anxious about September but I'm sure that after a few days everyone will settle into the new normal. We anticipate that there may be a need for extra well-being support for children and families, and so from September Louise will be joined by Mrs Mobbs and they will both provide pupil and family support.

Please try to have a relaxing summer and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C. Barrington
Principal

Some additional points that were not covered when this letter was first sent out:

- It is still recommended that pupils limit the amount of equipment they bring into school each day, to essentials such as lunch boxes, hats, coats, books, stationery and mobile phones. Bags are allowed.
- We are asking that children come to school in their Academy PE kit on their PE days. We would advise wearing tracksuit bottoms in colder weather. There will be no PE lessons on the 3rd or 4th of September. Each child will bring home their class newsletter that will tell you their PE days when they start back.