



Friday 3rd September 2021

Dear parents/ carer,

I hope you and your families have all had a safe and enjoyable summer holiday and that the children are eager to get back to school on **Monday 6th September 2021**.

School Start and End Times

With restrictions easing, you will be happy to know that the **one way system on site is no longer in place** and the **staggered start and end times to the day have finished**. Gates will now once again open at **8:35am** (8:30am for Nursery and Terrific for Twos), with all children required to be in school by the time the **gate closes at 8:45am**. Anyone arriving after this time will receive a late mark.

The end of the day will once again be at **3:15pm for all pupils**, except for **Friday which is 1:15pm**. Nursery and morning Terrific for Twos finish at 11:30am and Afternoon Terrific for Twos begin at 12:15pm). Friday crèche will still run for pupils whose parents work Friday afternoons, as always proof of working hours will be needed to access this provision.

In order to try and keep everyone safe, we are still encouraging parents to keep their **time on site to a minimum** and **use all of the available space in order to keep socially distanced** from other families and staff. Although **face masks** are not required, any parents who would prefer to continue to wear them are welcome to do so.

Please be aware that the Talisman Car Park has been fenced off so is no longer accessible. As always, we encourage families to walk to school but if you are driving please ensure you take care when parking around the area of the school.

Breakfast Club will begin on the first day back, opening at 7:45am at a cost of £2 per day, payable on ParentPay.

Uniform

We are extremely proud of our school and want our children to wear the full and correct uniform with pride. Our uniform can be purchased from Kids Corner and includes:

Boys

- Jumper – Royal Blue
- Shirt/Polo Shirt – Light blue/white
- Trousers – Grey or black
- Shoes – Black (**No Trainers**)
- Socks – Black/Grey/White

Girls

- Cardigan/Jumper – Royal Blue
- Pinafore – Grey
- Skirt/Trousers – Grey or black
- Blouse/Polo Shirt – White or Light Blue
- Shoes – Low heeled, black
- Socks/tights – Black/Grey/White



No jewellery is allowed, apart from stud earrings which can be removed or covered for PE and watches (no smart watches).

Covid-19 Symptoms

In accordance with the latest Government guidance for schools, anyone with any of the **Covid-19 symptoms must not attend school and should book a PCR test**. However, the change is that **siblings/ family members are still able to attend school as long as they do not have symptoms**. If the PCR test result is positive, that pupil/ adult must complete the isolation period. It is recommended that family members have a PCR test but as long as this is negative they can continue to attend school. If your **child develops symptoms whilst at school**, they will be sent home and a PCR test will be recommended, siblings will not be sent home unless they too have symptoms.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature);
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual);
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Attendance

Your child's attendance is vitally important to their education and unless there is a valid medical reason, all pupils must attend school **every day**.

In order to help encourage pupils to gain 100% attendance, there are weekly class prizes for the highest attendance, a whole school attendance competition, termly 100% attendance prizes and this year all children who have 100% attendance for a whole term will be put into a **prize draw to win an Amazon Fire 7 tablet!** With one available to win every term of the year.

Punctuality is also extremely important, please bear in mind that if your child is:

5 minutes late every day they lose the equivalent of nearly **3 days education** a year.

10 minutes late every day they lose the equivalent of nearly **6 days education** a year.

15 minutes late every day they lose the equivalent of nearly **9 days education** a year.

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Snack and Lunch

As a school we always promote healthy eating, please work together with us by ensuring snacks and lunches are appropriate. As always, we ask that snacks for playtime is a healthy item, e.g. fruit or a healthy cereal bar, no chocolate or crisps etc.

Lunch boxes should include healthy foods which do not need refrigerating, including some type of sandwich or wrap. A dessert of some kind can be included.

No fizzy or energy drinks are allowed in school. Water is always best and is readily available in school, please send a water bottle for your child to use every day.

As always, if you are concerned about anything regarding your child please come and see us.

We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday ready for a successful year!

Yours faithfully,

Mr A Smith
Acting Head of School