

**27th August 2021****Return to School Update 27/08/2021**

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have had a good summer! As we look forward to welcoming our children back on Thursday, I just wanted to update you on some of our plans for their return.

We are now very much into step 4 of the government's roadmap out of Covid restrictions, but as you will be aware, we are far from being fully out of the Pandemic yet and we will still have some proportionate measures in place.

Masks

There is of course no longer a requirement to wear masks and although we will not be expecting parents and carers to wear masks outside of the building, for any meetings that take place inside please have one with you - as if the meeting ends up taking place in a small office/small space - it will be safer for all involved if you wear one.

Drop off/collection

Dropping off and collection will remain in the same places as in the summer, with the exception of both Y5 and Y6 – who will now come in via the Y6 corridor as they did pre – pandemic. They will leave this way at the end of the day as well.

Parents are requested not to come into the school building - we will continue to have members of staff on the playgrounds/entrances at the beginning of the day and messages can be sent – including those for teaching staff - via our admin email address.

Collection/Drop off points

Soft start 8:40 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. Year groups 1 – 6

Reception – please follow the induction timetable

Reception	Reception Play Ground
Year 1	Lower School Office except Oak Class (Mrs Soans) – meet at Oak Class back entrance
Year 2	Lower middle playground and walk up steps (Cedar enter via Larch class)
Year 3	Lower middle playground and up Y3 steps
Year 4	Via entrance to Y4 corridor - car park side
Years 5 and 6	Via Y6 corridor - car park side

Children will leave from the same places that they entered -please wait on the adjacent playgrounds/entrances.

PE Kits

Children will continue to come into school already changed into their P.E. kits on the days that they have P.E. We will notify you when these days will be before they return next week.

Vehicles

This is non- pandemic related, but I wanted to inform you that we will continue to have no vehicle movement on site between 8.30 a.m. and 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 and 3.30 p.m. This is much safer for our children. If you live locally then please walk in if you can.

I would also urge those using the Hub ensure that their children follow the paths rather than cross the carparks when going to, or leaving, the Hub. Otherwise we have issues with children walking/running past cars as they are parking, which is dangerous.

Please can I also urge that parents exercise patience when using the drop off zone – we had some heated moments there in the summer and it is unnecessary and doesn't set a good example to our children. Please also respect our local neighbours by parking considerately.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school soon but in the meantime, I hope that you enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

With best wishes,

Mr Farrugia