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Dear Parents/Carers,

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Back To School – Monday 8th March

After another long period where we have been kept apart, we are looking forward to seeing all our pupils back in school again on Monday. We have worked so hard to develop our Remote Learning and, although it has been wonderful to see our children via Google Meet, we have missed everyone so much and cannot wait to be re-united.

In school this week, we will be busy following the guidance and making plans in order to welcome everyone back in a safe way. Therefore, please bear with us if we are not able to offer the same level of support with Home Learning – because we have lots of preparation to do for our full re-opening.

Please read the following letter carefully in order to keep our children, families and staff safe.

Building Work

An added complication to our plans for returning to school is that we are having essential repairs to the Key Stage 1 roof, which does mean that most of the School Road area is not accessible due to the scaffolding. Therefore, we have had to review our morning and hometime procedures to make sure that our arrangements keep our Bubbles separate and will allow for social distancing. This has not been easy, on top of everything else – so please bear with us with these new arrangements.

IMPORTANT – To ensure that everyone can arrive safely, please support us by following this guidance:

Morning:

- Do not arrive at any gate before your allocated time. The different year groups have staggered times at our different gates and we will not be able to let your child in any earlier than arranged. If we do notice a lot of congestion around our gate areas, we may have to increase the time between 'slots' to ensure that all children can arrive safely, so please help us with this;
- Arrange that just one parent/carer brings a child to the gate area;
- Please do not block pathways so that other families can get through on the path. If you are waiting for a gate to open, please wait closely next to the school wall/fencing so that other children can use the pathways and do not have to step into the road;
- If you have dropped off an older child, please do not arrive at the gate until the designated time – you may decide to wait on School Road because it is a no-through road, or if you have driven, you could return to your car for a short period. We will not be able to admit any children before their allocated time, so there is no advantage to arriving at the gate early.

Hometime:

- At the end of the day, please leave our site promptly because we have different Bubbles leaving at staggered times.
- Please keep your child with you. For safety reasons, children should not be running around or riding bikes/scooters because our playground areas are very busy at this time. Also, we do not allow children on our Jungle Gym areas at the end of the day because they are not supervised by staff and may not be age-appropriate. Please note that dogs are not allowed on our site.
- Please wear a face covering whilst on our site.

Nursery

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning Drop-off	9.00 am	Edison Road Gate opens – Nursery staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them down to the Early Years' area.
Hometime	2.40 pm	The Edison Road Gate will open at 2.40 pm. Please walk across the KS2 Playground to the Nursery gate and form a queue, following social distancing. The staff will bring the children out of the Nursery gate.

Reception – Squirrels

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning	8.50 am	Car Park Gate opens – Reception staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them down to the Early Years' area.
Hometime	2.40 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate A . Reception staff will come out through the Main Entrance door and bring the children to you.

Reception - Hedgehogs

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning	8.50 am	Car Park Gate opens – Reception staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them down to the Early Years' area.
Hometime	2.40 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate B . The Reception staff will come out through the Kiddiewinkles' door and bring the children to you.

Year 1 – Ermen

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning	8.50 am	School Road Gate B opens – Y1 Ermen staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them into the building through the Kiddiewinkles' door.
Hometime	2.50 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate B . Y1 staff will come out through the Kiddiewinkles' door and bring the children to you.

Year 1 – Brindley

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning	8.50 am	School Road Gate A opens – Y1 Brindley staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them into the building through the Main Entrance door.
Hometime	2.50 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate A . Y1 staff will come out through the Main Entrance door and bring the children to you.

Year 2 – Lowry

Details	Time	Arrangements
Morning	8.40 am	School Road Gate B opens – Y2 staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them into the building through the Kiddiewinkles' door.
Hometime	3.00 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate B . Y2 staff will come out through the Kiddiewinkles' door and bring the children to you.

Year 2 - Bridgewater

Details	Time	Arrangements
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Morning	8.40 am	School Road Gate A opens – Y2 Bridgewater staff will collect the children at the gate and walk them into the building through the Main Entrance door.
Hometime	3.00 pm	Please use the social distancing guide lines to queue outside School Road Gate A . Y2 staff will come out through the Main Entrance door and bring the children to you.

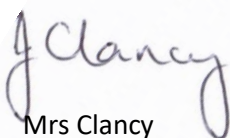
Key Stage 2

Morning:	Time	Arrangements	
Y4 and Y5	8.40 – 8.50 am	Y4 and Y5 children come through the Car Park Gate , following social distancing.	
Y3 and Y6	8.40 – 8.50 am	Y3 and Y6 children come through the Edison Road Gate , following social distancing	
Hometime:			
	Time	Gate	Area
Y3 Bell	3.00 pm	Edison Road Gate	Key Stage 2 Entrance A – ‘red spots’ area of the Playground
Y3 Halle	3.00 pm	Edison Road Gate	Key Stage 2 Entrance A – ‘white spots’ area of the Playground
Y4 Addy	3.00 pm	Edison Road Gate	Key Stage 2 Entrance B – ‘yellow spots’ area of the Playground
Y4 Edison	3.00 pm	Car Park Gate	Car Park Door
Y5 Nasmyth	3.05 pm	Edison Road Gate	Key Stage 2 Entrance B - ‘yellow spots’ area of the Playground
Y5 Pankhurst	3.05 pm	Car Park Gate	Car Park Door
Y6 Shaftesbury	3.05 pm	Edison Road Gate	Shaftesbury Door - ‘white spots’ area of the Playground
Y6 Turing	3.05 pm	Edison Road Gate	Turing Door - ‘red spots’ area of the Playground

Please read my second letter for further information about the return to school on Monday 8th March.

On behalf of the staff, I want to say a huge thank you to our children, parents, carers and families for all your support so far this year.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Clancy
Headteacher

