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Dear Parents and Carers,

2.9.20

### **Back To School – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

We hope that you have enjoyed your family time together over the summer holidays and we are looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

As you may be aware, the government has removed many of the restrictions that schools have had to follow over the last academic year. This will help reduce the disruption to children and young people's education as we learn to live with Covid safely. Of course, it is still necessary to be careful – we have a robust risk assessment in place and will continue to adopt a cautious approach.

#### **The main changes from this term are:**

- No isolating bubbles – although our year groups will continue to work very closely together.
- No requirement for face coverings in classrooms – although pupils are able to wear them if they want to. However, the government does recommend that they are worn in enclosed and crowded spaces where you may come into contact with people you don't normally meet.
- Wider curriculum opportunities to be reintroduced during the year (eg indoor sports, music)
- No need to self-isolate if pupils are a close contact of a positive case. Identified close contacts will be advised to take a PCR test.
- Staff and visitors who are a close contact will not need to isolate if they are fully vaccinated (latest dose more than 2 weeks previously). They should take a PCR test.

#### **Staying the same:**

- Please continue to let school know if someone tests positive.
- School staff will continue to test themselves twice a week, using lateral flow tests. If they test positive they still need to book a PCR test and if positive, isolate for 10 days.
- Schools will continue to keep classrooms well ventilated and clean, and encourage good hygiene and hand washing.
- Pupils should stay at home if they feel unwell with symptoms and you should book them a PCR test.
- Everyone who tests positive must self isolate. Their close contacts should take a PCR test.
- By taking up the vaccine, you will protect yourself and others. Close contacts over 18 years who are unvaccinated or incomplete vaccination still do need to self-isolate for ten days.

#### **What happens if there's an outbreak at a school?**

Our Public Health team will support the school to manage the outbreak and additional safety measures may be put in to place for a period of time.

## Attendance

School is vitally important for children's development and the Government has made it clear that attendance is mandatory. All children should be in school unless they are unwell or self-isolating following a positive result from a Covid-19 test.

Our attendance procedures will be the same as before – please text school on **01618501489** if your child is going to be absent and tell us any symptoms that they have.

## Dropping-off and Picking-up Arrangements

Class	Morning	Hometime
Nursery	Separate arrangements were sent on Nursery Information letter	
Reception – Squirrels	8.50 – 8.55 School Road Gate A	2.40 pm - School Road Gate A
Reception – Hedgehogs	8.50 – 8.55 School Road Gate B	2.40 pm - School Road Gate B
Y1 Ermen	8.45 – 8.50 School Road Gate B	2.50 pm - School Road Gate B
Y1 Brindley	8.45 – 8.50 School Road Gate A	2.50 pm - School Road Gate A
Y2 Lowry	8.40 – 8.45 School Road Gate B	3.00 pm - School Road Gate B
Y2 Bridgewater	8.40 – 8.45 School Road Gate A	3.00pm - School Road Gate A
Y3 Bell	8.40 – 8.50 am Car Park Gate	3.00 pm – Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance B 'yellow spots' area of the Playground
Y3 Halle	8.40 – 8.50 am Car Park Gate	3.00 pm – Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance B 'yellow spots' area of the Playground
Y4 Edison	8.40 – 8.50 am Edison Road Gate	3.00 pm – Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance A 'red spots' area of the Playground
Y4 Addy	8.40 – 8.50 am Edison Road Gate	3.00 pm – Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance A 'white spots' area of the Playground
Y5 Nasmyth	8.40 – 8.50 am Car Park Gate	3.05 pm Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance B - 'yellow spots' area of the Playground
Y5 Pankhurst	8.40 – 8.50 am Car Park Gate	3.05 pm Edison Road Gate Key Stage 2 Entrance B - 'yellow spots' area of the Playground
Y6 Shaftesbury	8.40 – 8.50 am Edison Road Gate	3.05 pm Edison Road Gate Shaftesbury Door - 'white spots' area of the Playground
Y6 Turing	8.40 – 8.50 am Edison Road Gate	3.05 pm Edison Road Gate Turing Door - 'red spots' area of the Playground

- **Lates**

If you miss your child's allocated time through the gate, please wait at the yellow lines outside Kiddiwinkles door for the office staff to come and collect your child and take them to class. Please be aware that mornings are a busy time for our office so you may be waiting for around 15mins for them to be free to bring your child into school.

- **Office**

We will continue to deal with any queries by text/email or phone call rather than with a face-to-face query. Please:

Ring on 0161 7894382

Text school on: 01618501489

Email school at: [godfreyermen.ceprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk](mailto:godfreyermen.ceprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk)

- **From N – Y5 School Uniform**

For pupils from N – Y5, our pupils wear a multi-purpose school uniform as follows:

- Plain, **unbranded** black or dark grey leggings or joggers (school trousers may still be worn, if preferred)
- Plain black or dark grey skirt/shorts (in warmer weather)
- Yellow polo shirt
- Maroon sweater or cardigan
- Socks: black, white or grey
- Black waterproof trainers – these must be **completely black** including the sole and branding.
- Water/weather-proof coat
- No rucksacks/bags



This uniform suits a range of activities without the need for pupils to change or bring in additional items from home...so **please do not buy a separate PE kit!**

- **Y6 School Uniform**

As Y6 is a transitional year before High School, we have decided that it is important for Y6 to wear a more formal uniform, to get them ready for High School – where Uniform Policies are strictly adhered to.

Therefore Y6's Uniform Policy will be as follows:

- School trousers, school shorts or skirt/pinafore in grey or black
- Yellow polo shirt
- Maroon sweater or cardigan
- Completely black school shoes – not trainers



Y6 will have 'PE Days' where they can come to school in their PE kit – further information to follow from the Y6 Teaching Team.

<https://myclothing.com/godfrey-ermen-memorial-cofe-primary-school/6872.school>

- **Bags & Equipment**

To minimise transmission risks, pupils will **NOT** need to bring into school any items from home, including a bag or pencil case.

- **Water Bottles** - Children will be required to bring a labelled water bottle to school each day, which must be taken home for cleaning/refilling at the end of the day.

I am looking forward to continuing to work together in partnership with you as we start this new academic year - please be assured that we have an on-going commitment to keeping our pupils, families, staff and community safe and well.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J Clancy  
Headteacher



Live with it safely



We take **PRIDE** in all we do