



EDUCATION AUTHORITY SOUTHERN REGION

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Thank you very much for your cooperation in recent days with our restart programme. We are delighted to see everyone back to school safe and well. Your cooperation at drop off and pick up times have made things run extremely smoothly.

Due to the regulations and guidelines we are having to adjust a lot of our normal procedures and hope that you understand that we are doing the best we can to keep all pupils, staff and parents safe.

As you are aware we are teaching 'New Curriculum' for the next few weeks in order to revise and consolidate concepts missed during the lockdown process. This is a very tailored and individualised curriculum and teachers are working very hard for all the new teaching and learning.

PROTECTIVE BUBBLES

- In so far as possible each class will operate as a bubble, i.e will not mix with children from other classes and staff will remain constant. This has a number of implications for school routines.
- Break times and dinner times are staggered to allow only one class in a play area at a time.
- There will be no after school activities at present as this would mean teachers and pupils from different bubbles mixing.
- There will be no physical whole school assemblies.
- PE lessons will not be able to have full use of all the equipment.
- Afternoon classes for Key stage 2 pupils will not be able to take place.

These arrangements will be continually under review.

BREAKFAST CLUB

- MUST be booked in advance via email the week before as we have limited numbers.
- The EXACT money must be given in a sealed and labelled envelope as change will not be given.

MID MORNING SNACK

- Monday to Thursday please provide a Healthy Snack.
- Friday - we are introducing a 'treat' day. Children are allowed to bring a small packet of crisps, small chocolate bar or biscuits. NO SWEETS / NO FOOD CONTAINING NUTS. We are asking parents to make sensible choices – This will commence on Friday 4th September.
- Mid-morning snack can be purchased from the cook from Tuesday 1st September.
- The cost is 30p per item.
- Money for the week MUST be provided in a clearly labelled envelope with the EXACT amount of money. This will be collected by the cook on Monday or on the first day your child is taking break that week.

DINNER

- School dinners will commence on TUESDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2020
- Dinners MUST be paid in advance for the week ahead. (£2.60 per day/£13.00 per week)
- Money MUST be sent in a sealed and labelled envelope – change will NOT be given.
- If paying by cheque please make it payable to “EA Southern Region”
- The envelope should be clearly labelled with your child’s name and the days that dinner are required.
- A separate envelope is required for each individual child unless they are in the same classroom.
- Dinners will be served and eaten in the child’s own classroom bubble for Primary 1 – 5 and in the hall, within their bubbles for Primary 6 and 7.

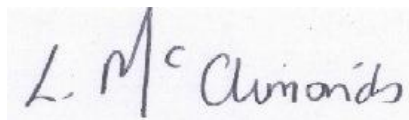
HOME TIMES

In order to accommodate the social bubbles, staggered finishing times and teachers’ planning time we have had to amend our afternoon finishing times. This is only a temporary measure and from 1st October 2020 finishing times for Primary 1 – 3 will be around 2pm with staggered times and for Primary 4 – 7 3pm with staggered times.

- Monday 31st August – pick up times will remain as they are this week at 12noon, 12:10pm and 12:20pm.
- From Tuesday 1st September pick up times will be:
Primary 2 and Primary 7 2:00pm
Primary 3 and Primary 4 2:10pm
Primary 5 and Primary 6 2:20pm

Our school routines will be reviewed on an ongoing basis and requires the cooperation and support from the whole school community. If you have any queries regarding the details of this letter please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Many thanks

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Mrs McClimonds
PRINCIPAL