

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May,

Dear Parent/Carer,

Changes to the beginning and end of the school day

Thank you to you all for following the additional procedures we have had in place over the last few months, it has enabled us to keep our playground as safe as possible during the Covid pandemic. As we move into term 6, although we have to continue with a staggered start/end to the school day, we will be making some changes to the drop off and collection times of our bubbles - which we hope will help reduce the waiting time for parents/carers.

Although some national restrictions have been lifted, the government guidance to primary schools remain the same. We respectfully ask that you continue to follow our procedures e.g. not arriving at school early, social distancing in the playground and entering/exiting through the allocated gate.

There won't be a drop off window for each class from term 6, and we expect all children to be in school at the start of their school day. If your child is in year 5 or 6, we encourage you not to come onto the playground and to arrange to drop off/meet your child away from the school site. This is also great for building up your child's confidence as they get ready to transition to secondary school. Please avoid waiting on the pavement directly in front of the school as this makes it more difficult for other parents to enter and exit the school site safely.

Year Group	Drop off time	Collection time	Gate
R	8.40am	3.10pm	Main gate
1	8.40am	3.10pm	Bottom gate
2	8.45am	3.15pm	Bottom gate
3	8.40am	3.10pm	Bottom gate
4	8.40am	3.10pm	Front slope
5	8.45 am	3.15 pm	Front slope
6	8.45 am	3.15 pm	Front slope

From term 6, in order for us to manage lunchtimes and playtimes more effectively across the school, year 5 and 6 will be forming one bubble. They will still remain separate for the school day but will eat lunch together in the hall and have their lunchtime break as one bubble. This will finally allow year 6 to return to eating in the dining hall.

We hope that as we move into the next academic year in September, the guidance for schools will change and we can get back to our usual drop off/pick up routines. The new arrangements will be in place from Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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