Dear Parents,

You will have heard by now that all children will be back attending school in September. We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back, especially those we have not seen since the lockdown started in March.

We are now working our way through the government guidelines in order to put everything in place for September. As I am sure you can appreciate this is a complex and lengthy process. I will send more detailed information before the children are due to return to school. The start date is Monday 7th September.

One change that needs to be made is the use of the hall for lunchtimes. We have to be able to maintain class “bubbles” during lunchtime and so only Robin and bumblebee classes will be receiving a hot meal which is stipulated under the universal free school meal scheme.

The children who are in receipt of free school meals in KS2 will receive a packed lunch also from Local Food Links. We are asking all other children in KS2 to bring their own packed lunches which will be eaten in the classrooms.

We have been operating this term with staggered start and finish times and this will continue in the new school year. The times will be as follows:

Years 5 and 6 start 8.30am and finish 3.00pm.

Years 3 and 4 start 8.40am and finish 3.10pm.

All year 1 and year 2 start 8.50am and finish 3.20pm.

Reception start at 9.00am and finish 2.50pm.

The children will be required to wear school uniform from the start of the new school year.

The link below from the Department of Education gives comprehensive information on the guidelines given to all educational settings. Copy and paste the text into your browser.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term#arriving-and-leaving-school-or-college

If you have any outstanding questions at this time please do get in touch.

I hope you all have an enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely

Lisa Crew