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FULL REOPENING OF SCHOOL 8th MARCH 2021

Dear Parents,

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the government guidance around reopening schools is very similar to how we were operating before the Christmas holidays, with children remaining in their class bubbles throughout the day for all activities including break time and lunch.

Please find below a reminder of the procedures. I ask that you read them carefully and follow them accordingly so that we can keep all members of our community safe. Can I ask that you also share these with anyone that might bring your child to school or collect them so that they are able to follow them too? Many thanks.

Staggered drop off and collection times:

Class Bubble	Drop off time	Collection time	Designated area
Nursery	8:45am	3:15pm	Nursery gate
Reception	9-9:10am	3:10-3:20pm	Door at side of school by bike shelter
Year 1	8:50-9am	3-3:10pm	Year 1 Classroom door off playground
Year 2	8:40-8:50am	2:50-3pm	Year 2 Classroom door off playground

Please only come onto the school grounds during the 10 minute window that has been allocated. This avoids unnecessary congestion which we are trying to avoid at all costs. No class will be released before their time window so there is no need to be here any earlier.

Please also make sure you are parking responsibly around the estate. Do not park on any of the yellow lines and ensure you are not blocking resident's drives at any time. Also, please be mindful that the roads are narrow and so double parking could prevent a large vehicle such as an ambulance getting through. As we have many elderly residents on the estate, we would not want to block such vehicles. Thank you as always for your cooperation with this.

<u>Siblings</u>: All siblings should now be dropped off at 8:40am and collected from the office at 2:50pm. Please wait on one of the black duct tape stars at 2:50pm and the children will be sent out to you. This is to avoid any congestion in the front entrance. Please do be on time at the end of the day so that the staff can then go and help dismiss all the other children. Thank you.

<u>Face Coverings</u>: Please can we ask that all adults wear a face covering when entering the school grounds unless you are exempt? Thank you.

Breakfast Club and Little Stars After School Club: Both of these will be back in operation for any child wanting to attend from Monday 8th March. The children will be kept in class bubbles in Breakfast Club. Little Stars have produced their own Risk Management Plan to ensure all government guidance is followed. Please speak to Kirsty for more details about how this provision will be run during this time. You can contact her on 07487 638083.

<u>Belongings</u>: Children can continue bringing in their book bags with their reading books and water bottle in. Children should not bring anything else in from home at this time.

<u>Hand hygiene</u>: The children will continue to wash their hands regularly at school. Please can you ensure that your child washes their hands before leaving home in the morning too?

<u>Medication</u>: Please don't forget to bring in any regular medications that your child may take on the first day back if needed. Please bring them to the front office.

<u>Reading books, resources & laptops</u>: It is vital that all the reading books and resources back that have been loaned out are returned to school on Monday 8th March, so please have a good look around at home over the weekend and have everything in a carrier bag or folder ready to return. The teachers will put these in isolation and then check them off. It will help the staffing team enormously if we don't have to chase unreturned items. Please also return any school laptops that your child may have been loaned. Thank you.

<u>Uniform</u>: Please double check the uniform requirements below. It is appreciated that missing items like ties may be difficult to purchase at the moment or new school shoes but please do your best as soon as you are able to ensure your child is in full school uniform. Thank you.

<u>School Meals</u>: The lunch menu will be resuming from week 1 next week. Should you need reminding of our menus <u>please click here</u>.

If your child displays any COVID19 symptoms: Please do not take a chance with this. If your child is feeling unwell and is displaying any of the COVID19 related symptoms, namely a high temperature, a new persistent cough (this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours) or a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal. Please keep them at home and request a test. Please keep school informed.

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<u>Staff Lateral Flow Tests</u>: The majority of the staff are undertaking a Lateral Flow Test twice a week to help identify any asymptomatic staff.

Bubble Closures: If there is a positive case within a class bubble, then it is likely that we will have to close the bubble and that all the people within the bubble, and anyone having contact with the person that has tested positive, will have to self-isolate for 10 days. Remote Learning will then be provided for the children in that class. We sincerely hope with all the precautions we are taking and with our parents being so vigilant that we can keep any closures to an absolute minimum.

If you have any questions about any of the procedures, do not hesitate to ask and we look forward to welcoming all our children back on Monday!

Best wishes, Mrs Hopkins & The Henhurst Ridge Family

School Uniform Requirements:

- Maroon jumper/cardigan with logo
- White shirt/blouse
- Maroon & gold tie (clip on)
- Grey trousers/shorts/skorts/skirts/pinafores
- Yellow gingham dresses
- Sensible black shoes <u>(trainers not allowed)</u>. Boots should be black and plain with as few fastenings as possible.
- Maroon waterproof coats available & fleeces optional
- Maroon Book bag & Water Bottle

PE Uniform – children to come in wearing PE kit on PE days:

(Reception class on a Wednesday, Year 1 & 2 on a Thursday)

- Maroon PE polo shirt with logo
- Black shorts or skort
- Black Pumps or trainers
- Earrings should be removed for PE please take out before bringing your child to school on the morning of the PE day.

<u>Other:</u>

- No jewellery other than 1 pair of small gold or silver stud earrings and a watch
- Long hair tied back with school colour, modest accessories
- No extreme hair styles including colouring and shaved hair should be no less than grade 2
- Nail varnish should not be worn.