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Dear Parents,

We are nearly at the end of the first term since the school reopened to all children on the 3rd September. I would like to thank you for supporting the school in this challenging time, particularly with the staggered drop off and collection times. To date we have had no cases of Covid 19 within our children or staff. Long may this continue.

Over this half term we have been monitoring the various systems and procedures we have in place alongside the guidance we are following. When we return to school, after half term, on the 2nd November we will be implementing some changes.

Drop off and collection times

Firstly, to support parents with dropping off and collecting children, particularly if you have more than one child in different year groups, we will be changing the start and finish times. From Monday 2nd November Key Stage Two children (years 3, 4, 5 and 6) should arrive at school between 8.30 am and 8.45 am. Reception and Key Stage One children (years 1 and 2) should arrive at school between 8.45 am and 9.00 am. If you have more than one child in different year groups you can plan your arrival at school for around 8.40 am, allowing time to drop off a child in Key Stage Two before 8.45 am and then another child in Key Stage One from 8.45 am. This should make drop off easier and at one time.

When collecting children, Reception and Key Stage One children (years 1 and 2) should be collected between 2.45 pm and 3.00 pm. Key Stage Two children (years 3, 4, 5 and 6) should be collected between 3.00 pm and 3.15 pm. If you have more than one child in different year groups you can plan your arrival at school for around 2.55 pm, allowing time to collect a child in Key Stage One before 3.00 pm and then another child in Key Stage Two from 3.00 pm. This should make collection easier and at one time.

Please don't try to drop off or collect a child before the allocated time as the teaching staff will not be ready. Please keep to the rules of only one adult collecting/dropping off. Please do not congregate or wait around the school grounds. Please drop off/collect your child as quickly as possible within the allocated time. Please adhere to the one way system – you may have to go back out of school to come back in if dropping off/collecting more than one child.

Lunch time

Secondly, we will be serving hot meals again at lunch time. We have used this half term to develop a system where class bubbles can access the dining hall to eat lunch and to recruit additional staff. We now feel that this system will work with hot meals being served. From Monday 2nd November the kitchen will be serving hot meals at lunchtime. Please see the menu accompanying this letter. All Key Stage One pupils are eligible for a free meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meal funding. The cost of a meal for Key Stage Two pupils is £2.20 a day, unless your child is eligible for free school meals. Payments for school dinners should be made via the School Money system and not by cash.











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Please note - initially, the kitchen will not be offering sandwiches or jacket potatoes as an alternative menu choice. Please check the menu choices. You may have to provide a packed lunch if your child doesn't like the menu choices for that day.

Friday 23rd October – non uniform day

We would normally be inviting parents to join us for harvest assembly at this time of year. Unfortunately we are unable to do this at the present time. Instead we will be holding a nonuniform day this Friday. Children are welcome to wear non-uniform for a donation of a food item. We will then pass on your donations to a local food bank. Containers will be placed at the school gates Friday morning for food items to be placed in as children arrive. Please only send in dry goods or tinned items. No fresh food items. Thank you.

Summary

	Reception, year 1 and year 2	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6
Drop off time	8.45 am to 9.00 am	8.30 am to 8.45 am
Collection time	2.45 pm to 3.00 pm	3.00 pm to 3.15 pm
Lunch time	Hot lunch available from	Hot lunch available from
	2/11/20 * please check	2/11/20 * please check
	menu choices	menu choices

Thank you for your support. We will continue to monitor how things go and will make changes as necessary. Hopefully we will not need to make many more.

Regards,

Mark Whyman Headteacher









