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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your patience with the wider opening of the school over the last 2 weeks.

There has been a lot to take in with staggered arrival and collection times and it has run really smoothly thanks to your co-operation and the fabulous behaviour of the children.

For the foreseeable future, we will be running with the following model:

- Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children will return to school on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- The school will be closed for a deep clean on a Friday, but open to our key worker and vulnerable children as usual on this day
- The arrival and collection times will be as follows for the children in these year groups

Class	Arrival time and gate	Collection time and gate
Nursery	9am – main gate	3pm – main gate
Reception	9am – KS1 gate	3pm – KS1 gate
Year 1	8.45am – KS1 gate	2.45pm – KS1 gate
Year 6	9.15am – main gate	3.15pm – main gate

Children are still required to wear their school uniform on the days when they are with their class groups (Monday to Thursday).

Information for Parents and Carers of key worker and vulnerable children

- Key worker and vulnerable children please continue to arrive at 8.50am at the main school gate and collect your children no later than 3.30pm, if they do not fall in to one of the named classes above
- **Key worker children will not need to wear their uniform when they are not with their class group.**
- If your child has been attending in our key worker and vulnerable group and they fall in to Nursery, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6, please bring them at the allocated time and place above. Their siblings can be brought at the same time to attend the key worker group.
- If you have a number of children and one of them falls into the above classes and their siblings do not, please arrive and collect at the allotted times above for the classes. Siblings attending the key worker group can arrive and be collected at the same time.
- Breakfast club is open for all children of key worker parents and those classes as vulnerable, from 8am every day. If your child requires a place, please let us know with at least 48 hours notice.

Please be aware that we continue to abide by the Government advice and direction with regards to the opening. There may come a time in the coming weeks, where we are forced to re-look at our plans if more year groups are announced to return. Please continue to be patient and understanding as many factors could change the above plans.





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If you would like your child to attend and they have not previously, please get in touch with us on the phone number or email address above, with at least 48 hours-notice so that we can have the appropriate number of staff on-site.

We will continue to keep in touch with you and update you on any changes, should they arise.

Kind regards,

Mrs Carrier
Head Teacher

