



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to being able to welcome back our pupils in September.

This letter summarises our current arrangements for the first half term. If any significant changes happen to the arrangements, then we will keep you informed about them.

Returning in September

We know that for some of our pupils, especially for those pupils who have not had an opportunity to be in school this term, and for those who are moving to a new class and teacher, there may be some anxiety about returning to school.

We will therefore be welcoming back pupils on different days to allow for this transition, and to help children settle in; as well as to help all pupils to get used to the new ways of working.

The return to school for **Week 1** will be as follows:

Pupils starting in	school day	home learning
Year 1, Year 3, Year 5	Monday 7 September Tuesday 8 September Friday 11 September	Wednesday 9 September Thursday 10 September
Year 2, Year 4, Year 6	Wednesday 9 September Thursday 10 September Friday 11 September	Monday 7 September Tuesday 8 September

From Week 2, week beginning 14 September, pupils in Y1,2,3,4,5,6 will be in school full time

Reception (Cherry Class) – See Starting School letter.

Start and end of the school day

As we accept many more pupils, we are aiming to keep our systems straight forward.

We are therefore making a change to current arrangements for those who have already attended during the summer term.

The following arrangements are in place for the start and end of the school day:

	drop off at/ between	school starts	home time	collect from
Cherry	at 8.55	9.00	3pm	enter playground, stand on markers
Willow	8.40- 8.50	8.55	3.05pm	line up from the brown wooden gate hand over will be in order of the line
Rowan	8.40- 8.50	8.55	3.05pm	side near kitchen garden
Oak	8.40 – 8.50	8.55	3.10pm	line up from the brown wooden gate

Willow, Rowan, Oak parents: You will say Goodbye to your child/ children at the main 'steel' gate, where there will be a member of staff waiting. You will then be asked to cross over and walk down the other side. Your child/ children will then be directed to their classroom. Additional staff will supervise, and class teachers will be waiting in their

class. Cherry pupils will line up by the wooden gate with their parent, and the class teacher will collect them.

All children should have arrived between 8.40 and 8.50 so that Cherry pupils can then arrive with their parent at 8.55am.

Bus children will be dropped off and will enter the school via the hall door with Mrs Rudd.

Additional Information for Drop Off/ Collecting

Only 1 adult from the household to drop off/ collect.

Walk to the school if possible.

Keep a safe distance at all times.

Arrive and depart on time, don't stay or gather near the school, arrive and leave promptly.

Help to minimise congestion near the school gates, do not park or drop off here in your car.

If a member of the household has an underlying health condition which means they are clinically vulnerable/ at greater risk, they should not accompany pupils to school if it is possible for another member of the household to do so.

Tuck, Lunchtime and school meals

For those having school meals, we will for the first half of term be providing a packed lunch option only, with a 'meal in a box' such as fish and chips, each Friday.

This enables us to have children outside as much as possible. It also supports minimal contact, mixing of hubs, and movement around school- all measures we are required to have in place.

Pupils can continue to bring a healthy packed lunch from home.

Cherry and Willow will have a piece of fruit for morning snack (provided under a scheme). Rowan and Oak will not have the school tuck shop for the first half term, but they are welcome to bring their own piece of fruit for morning break.

Items for school - Your child will need: *All items must be clearly named.*

- School uniform, this needs to be clean/ changed every day.
- Water bottle- filled freshly each day.
- Sunhat and/ or Coat
- Packed lunch if bringing own.
- Book bag / folder for book. Please note this needs to be just for books and no other items.
- Bus children will need a bag to keep their face covering whilst in school.

Do not send your child with:

- Equipment or Toys such as a pencil case, games, show and tell items
- PE kit/ PE bags. This is to be worn to school on PE days. Teachers will let you know the start date and which day.
- Any other bags
- Face coverings to wear in school

Reading at home

Your child will have reading books to take home for the week. When returned, these will be placed in 'quarantine' before being reused by any other pupils. Your child's class teacher will provide information that is specific to their class.

Educating and supporting

We recognise that for many of our pupils, it will feel like a long time since they were in school. They may be feeling anxious or worried, whilst others will be excited. For all our pupils, we will be seeking to make the return as welcoming, familiar and safe as possible. Time in the curriculum will focus initially to supporting their transition back into school, learning the new ways of working, looking after well-being, building and re-establishing friendships

What will a school day look like, and what is in place to promote everyone's safety?

This information can be found in a separate letter which will be on our school website shortly, and includes details how you can help us by working together.

This may be amended should national or county guidance change prior to September, or if there are further national or local school closures.

Class teachers have written a letter to their new pupils who will be transferring to a new class- these are also on our school website.

All information will be on the Latest News section.