

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Dear Parents and carers,

I hope you are all well and have managed to enjoy some of the warm weather over the summer break.

We are really looking forward to welcoming children back to school from Monday 7th September. This letter will give you the key information you need as we have had to implement certain changes in order to ensure the safety of our whole school community.

## **Class bubbles**

We will be running class bubbles of 30 children in Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6). In Early Years and Key Stage 1 we will be running year group bubbles as shared spaces, resources and activities are key to a successful experience in these younger years.

## Start and end of the school day

To help you and our school community stay safe and to avoid large groups of people gathering around the school gate, we will have a staggered start and end to the school day. **Please could only one adult may bring and collect your child/ren from school.** 

| Start of school day |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|
| 8:45am - 9:00am     | Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 and any siblings in other year groups<br>Year 1 - go straight to their classroom   |  |
|                     | Year 3 - line up by their class sign in the main playground<br>Year 5 - go straight up to their classroom  |  |
| 9:00am - 9:15am     | Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 and any siblings in other year groups  |  |
|                     | Year 2 - line up by their class sign in the main playground<br>Year 4 - go straight to their classroom<br>Year 6 - go straight up to their classroom |  |
| 9:15am - 9:30am     | Nursery and Reception - go straight to their classroom   |  |

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| End of school day |   |  |
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| 2:45pm - 3:00pm   | Nursery and Reception children with no siblings in other year groups to be collected from their classroom   |  |
|                   | Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 and any siblings in Nursery or Reception  |  |
| 3:00pm - 3:15pm   | Year 1 - to be collected from outside the classroom<br>Year 3 - to be collected from their class line in the main playground<br>Year 5 - to be collected from their class line in the main playground<br>Nursery and Reception - to be collected from their classroom |  |
| 3:15 - 3:30pm     | Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 and any siblings in Nursery or Reception  |  |
|                   | Year 2 - to be collected from outside the classroom<br>Year 4 - to be collected from their class line in the main playground<br>Year 6 - to be collected from their class line in the main playground<br>Nursery and Reception - to be collected from their classroom |  |

Please enter the playground using Gate B and exit using either Gate A or Gate C (see picture below). There will be members of staff in the playground to help you find your way.

You can drop off and pick up your child at any point during this 15 minute window. Please be on time but do not arrive earlier than these times to avoid people congregating outside of the school gates as the pavements around the school are very narrow.

If you would like your child to walk to and from school by themselves, this will need to be confirmed with us prior to them returning to school. Please call the school office to arrange this. We would not be expecting children to be travelling on public transport by themselves at this time so, if this is the case, they will need to be collected by an adult.



#### Lunch and play times

A school meal will be provided for all children at lunchtime. The children will eat their lunch with their class group either in the dinner hall or in their classroom. Lunch and play times will be timetabled to ensure that classes have their own space to play.

#### Handwashing/hygiene

Children will wash or sanitise their hands on arrival at school and will continue to do this at regular intervals throughout the day - always before entering and exiting the classroom, before and after eating, and after using the toilet.

## **Uniform and equipment**

Children should be dressed in school uniform and only bring the essentials from home such as a lunch box, coat, PE kit and school backpack. The water fountains will be out of use so please ensure your child brings in a bottle of water with their name on. Please, as always, make sure all clothing and equipment has your child's name on it.

## Breakfast and after school provision

We are planning to open breakfast and after school provision on Monday 21st September. We may have to limit numbers for this provision so please email the relevant address below to register your interest and we will send more information closer to the time:

Breakfast club - <u>office@jdacademy.org.uk</u> After school provision - <u>info@ultimatesportsclub.co.uk</u>

It is very important to note that the government advice around COVID-19 moves and changes rapidly and we may have to respond to these changes with very little notice. We will try to ensure that you are given as much notice as possible if there are any significant changes that affect you and your family.

# Self-isolation

If you have travelled abroad over the summer and are having to self-isolate for 14 days after your arrival back in the UK, please email the school office with details of when your child will be returning to school. This would also be the case if you are in self-isolation on advice from the NHS Test and Trace service.

#### COVID-19 symptoms

Helping to keep everyone safe begins at home. Before bringing your child to school in the morning it is important to check that they do not have any symptoms. These include:

- High temperature or fever
- Continuous cough
- Loss of taste or smell

If your child, or anybody in your household, has any of these symptoms please do not bring your child to school and notify the school office by phone or email as soon as possible.

Please note that the school and all buildings, including the office, will be closed to parents and carers so if you need to speak with us, please phone the school, 0207 639 0594, or use the office email address, <u>office@jdacademy.org.uk</u>.

I am really looking forward to seeing you all very soon.

Warm wishes,

Jo Rooney Headteacher