



GOOSE GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Life, Learning and Laughter

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Dear Parents and Carers

School Information for September 2021

I hope that you are well and that you have had an enjoyable summer break. I'm sure that you will know that the children are due back at school on Monday 6th September, whilst school staff will be onsite for training during this coming week. We are really looking forward to starting the new school year and to seeing you all again! Please see below some information that will help you to manage the return to school.

Timings of the School Day

There will be no staggered times at the beginning or the end of the school day. There will be a 15 minute window for children to arrive at school in the morning. Please drop your children at the school gate – they will wash their hands and go straight to class without lining up.

8.45am	School gates open, soft drop until 9.00am.
9.00am	School gates close. Children who arrive after this time must sign in at the office on their way to class.
9.10am	Registers will close. Children who arrive after this time will be marked as late.
3.25pm	School gates open. You are invited to come onto the playground to wait for your children if you so wish. Please remember to maintain social distancing wherever possible.
3.30pm	End of the school day. Children will be brought to the playground by their teacher and they will line up at designated spots ready for collection.

Summary of Changes to Safety Measures

- Bubbles no longer exist. Children will be free to mix across year groups.
- In the advent of a case of Covid, NHS Test and Trace are responsible for identifying and contacting close contacts to advise them to get a PCR test. Children under the age of 18 will be able to return to school once a negative test result is received.
- Whole school assemblies will resume, including singing assemblies.
- Face coverings are no longer required for staff, parents or visitors. You are, of course, free to wear one if you so choose.
- You will be able to come to the school office to speak to school staff.
- A Test and Trace QR code will be available for you to sign-in to the school building. Alternatively, visitors may prefer to leave their contact details in the school's Visitors' Book.
- School trips and events will all be able resume. Please watch out for further information about such events.

Keeping Safe

The school's Risk Assessment outlines the scaled down controls and measures that we will have in place. Following government guidance, these are based around the following headings:

- Ensuring good hygiene for everyone;
- Maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes;
- Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated;
- Following public health advice on testing, self-isolation and management of confirmed cases of Covid-19.

All measures and controls will be regularly reviewed and amended in line with government guidance in place at the time of review. The school is a safe place to be.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding any of the information provided. I look forward to seeing you on the 6th September!

With best wishes

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Simon Wattam', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Simon Wattam