

LITTLE SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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28th August 2020

Dear Parents,

We hope you had a lovely summer and enjoyed the warm weather at the start of the holiday. The staff and I are really looking forward to the children returning to school. Over the holiday we have had new play equipment fitted on the Key Stage 1 playground which we are sure the children will enjoy.

A comprehensive letter was sent out at the end of last term regarding the arrangements for the start of the new academic year. However, we thought some reminders about key information would be useful.

Date for the start of the new term

Wednesday	2 nd September	Years 1-6
Thursday	3 rd September	New Reception children - mornings or afternoons (further details can be found in the Reception information pack)
Monday	15 th September	Reception full time

Arrival and collection times

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Arrival	8.35am	8.40am	8.40am	8.50am	8.50am	8.55am	8.55am
Collection	3.15pm	3.20pm	3.20pm	3.30pm	3.30pm	3.35pm	3.35pm
Designated areas at the start of the school day	Reception Ramp	Y1 classroom doors	Y1 classroom doors.	Y3AS enter through external classroom door, adjacent to multimedia doors. Y3LB enter through external classroom door.	Y4KP enter through external classroom door, opposite the music room Y4TV enter through external classroom door, by main entrance.	Enter through junior door and go straight upstairs to classroom.	Enter through multimedia doors.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Parent collection points for the end of the school day	Reception playground	Y1 classroom doors	Y1 classroom doors	Please wait outside the classroom on the designated area on the playground .	4KP please wait outside the classroom on the footsteps alongside the music block. 4TV please wait outside the classroom on the footsteps by the main entrance.	There will be designated areas on the playground .	There will be designated areas on the playground .

Key Stage 2

Arrival

Please leave children at the school gate to walk through to the classroom on their own. This will reduce congestion on the site and enable social distancing. Staff will be on the gate and the playgrounds to guide the children to the class entrances.

Collection

Please socially distance when you collect your child. Parents of children in Key Stage 2 can wait on the playground, in the designated areas to ensure social distancing. Children will exit through the same door they enter in the morning.

Please make sure if your child is due to walk home on their own that they know this each day.

We will keep these times under review and will let you know if any changes are needed once the term gets underway.

One-way system

We will continue to operate the one-way system with the entrance through the junior gates and the exit through the KS1 gate. The back gate entrance remains closed, but we will keep this under review. Please adhere to social distancing indicated by the foot prints on site.

Walking Bus

Unfortunately, the Walking Bus will not be taking place due to current restrictions. However, as soon as we are able to have it back in operation we will let you know.

School uniform

Children should wear school uniform. On PE days the children will need to come in their PE kit and wear a t-shirt in their house colour, shorts or skirt, plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms and school jumper. Class teachers will let the children know the P.E day for their class and further details will be on the class learning page on the school website in due course.

Bags and equipment

Children in KS1 can bring their book bags. If necessary, KS2 can bring in a small bag which will fit under the table as the school lockers will be out of use. Children will need to bring in their water bottle so they can have access to water throughout the day. We will be providing the children with their own pencil case, pencil rubber whiteboard rubber, whiteboard pen, pencil sharpener along with a ruler and whiteboard. **They should not bring a pencil case.**

Maths books

We sent home a maths text book and a workbook for the children in Years 1-5 to work over the summer holidays. It is important that they bring both maths books back to schools on the first day back.

Attendance

All children are expected to return to school for the new academic year. Regular attendance is vital for the children's educational progress, wellbeing and wider development. An extensive risk assessment has been put in place to support the children returning to school. We are required to report our attendance figures daily to the DfE. Further information about returning to school can be found at www.gov.uk/backtoschool.

Robust hand washing

Please remind your child about the 20 second rule for washing their hands. This can be accessed at <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands>.

Break times and lunchtimes

Children will only mix with their year group bubble and break and lunchtimes will be staggered to accommodate this. Children in Key Stage 1 and children in receipt of free school meals in Key Stage 2 will receive lunch free of charge. In Key 2 payment for lunches can be made through parent pay. This is also our preferred method for payment of toast and milk. If you have any queries regarding payment for lunches, toast or milk, please contact the school office when it reopens on 1st September.

Arrangements if a child shows Covid19 symptoms

Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling:

Phone: 0800 046 8687
Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm.
Monday 31 August (Bank Holiday) from 10am to 4pm

If a child or an adult in school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will be sent home and advised to get a test. Tests can be booked online through NHS testing and tracing for coronavirus website. (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/>). If this child or adult tests positive for the virus, the health protection team will provide school with definitive advice on who must be sent home. We ask that all families engage with the Test and Trace process if contacted and

book a test if you are displaying symptoms & inform school immediately of the results (both negative or positive).

If your child shows symptoms and is awaiting collection, they will be moved, if possible, to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision if required. Ideally, a window will be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, we will move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.

If they need to go to the bathroom while waiting to be collected, they will use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom will be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.

Please note, PPE will be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained (such as for a very young child or a child with complex needs). In an emergency, we will call 999 if they are seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk.

We are delighted that we will have all our school family back together next week with our new reception children joining our family and look forward to a successful year ahead.

Wishing you a happy Bank Holiday weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Davis.

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