

Coaley Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As promised, here is a letter detailing our return to school arrangements from Wednesday 2nd September. I hope it gives you some clarity and reassurance with regards what we will be doing. As I'm sure you will see, these procedures are very similar to how we ended in July, as we had all the children back before the end of term anyway and this is not really new to us. I have listed out the bullet points below and then added lots of Frequently Asked Questions on a separate document.

In summary:

- All pupils, in all year groups will return to school full time from the beginning of the
 autumn term –Wednesday 2nd September 2020 (1st September will be Staff INSET).
 Reception Please refer to the letter from Mrs Hancock dated 14th July regarding the
 initial settling in sessions. The Government have outlined that attendance at school
 will be compulsory in September for all children.
- We have put in place a new system in place for staggered drop-offs and pick-ups as we now have three classes.
 - · Drop-off times and locations
 - Robins: **8.45am** via the main gate and Robin's class outside door
 - Starlings: **8.40am** via the front of the school, going in via the side gate
 - Owls: 8.50am via the main gate and the Owls outside door
 - · Pick up times and locations
 - Robins: 3.15pm from the Robins outside door
 - Starlings: **3.20pm** via the front of the school, exiting via the side gate
 - Owls: 3.20pm from the Owls outside door
- Please park away from school if you can and then walk/scoot/cycle.
- Parents are only allowed on the school site to drop-off and pick-up and must drop at the right entrances. If you have siblings, please drop off at the later times as you will not be able to wait.
- Please ensure that your child does not attend school if they show symptoms of Covid19 https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/

- Children will be in their class 'bubbles' at all times in lessons and for break and lunch times. We have the same safety measures in place as before for children as they enter and leave school, and whilst they are in lessons.
- All children will wear their school uniform. Details of our new uniform were sent out in July. Please see Mrs Astley if you wish to make an order. PE kit to school on the days they have PE.
- Caterlink, our caterers, will provide all children who wish to take up the offer, a free or paid for packed lunch as a school meal on a daily basis.
- Breakfast Club will now be running for 5-days a week. Please see Mrs Astley to book a place. This will need to be done in advance.
- The Government expects our Remote Education to align as much as possible with what we do in school - it may need be an essential component of schooling. More details will go out about how your child can learn from home if we have any lockdowns.
- We will continue to provide a broad and balanced curriculum which encourages our young children to apply their developing, core skills.

I hope the following information is useful but please don't hesitate to contact me if you need anything clarified. I'm at Coaley every day so I am always contactable.

Take care and stay safe.

Richard Lucas