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Reopening Schools: the New School Day
PARENT UPDATE 6

Dear Parents,

# **'SCHOOL MONEY' ONLINE SYSTEM**

Happy days – the SchoolMoney payment system is up and running!! You will have received a text message (to the priority 1 phone number on the Data Collection sheets) yesterday morning. Lots of you have been in touch to say you're 'in' and it's working. A very small number have had trouble getting logged in. I've put the 'Parent Login Tip Sheet' on the website under PARENTS – LETTERS. This system is used by thousands of schools over the UK so it should work for us too! Remember, if your child is entitled to free school meals, you still need to go onto the SchoolMoney system and select the days you wish your child to take a dinner. This will be the only record for teachers of who is taking a school dinner each day. Anyone who has registered with the school for Early Birds or Young Harts, please remember to go on to SchoolMoney over the weekend to select your days and pay.

### **UNIFORM**

I just want to thank you for the wonderful effort you have made in turning your children out so smartly for their Induction Days! They have all looked so smart – immaculate uniforms, neat haircuts, black trainers and enormous smiles! I have been particularly impressed with the effort and expense you have gone to, to find black trainers, and they really do make a difference to the children's turn out. Thank you!!

## P.E.

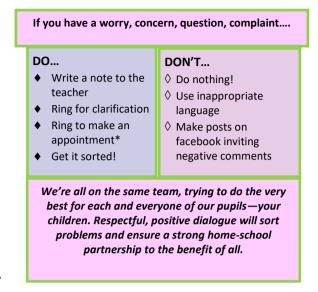
You will know from previous updates the big emphasis we're putting on P.E. this year for our pupils' physical, mental and emotional well-being. All P.E. will be outside, led either by the class teacher or Coach Steve whose outstanding services we have managed to secure for every school day. Unless it is raining very heavily or the surface is icy, P.E. will take place whatever the weather so **DO** make sure your child has a coat in school (with a name label!) every day. You may wish to consider getting an inexpensive raincoat (e.g. pac-a-mac) which they can wear over their uniform or coat. This could be kept in school.

## **MORNING DROP OFF & AFTERNOON PICK UP**

Remember that your family's allocated drop off and pick up times kick in from Tuesday. Please be punctual! If you are late for pick up, we can't take pupils back into school as we would have previously (due to mixing of bubbles), so they will have to wait outside with a teacher or assistant who is needed to bring out another group. P4-7 pupils are allowed to walk, cycle or scoot home themselves but only if you return the form in your pack of paperwork authorising them to do so. Please remind your child that he/she must wheel their bike or scooter whilst in the school grounds, for the safety of other pupils.

### **COMMUNICATION**

Just because you can't come into the school building doesn't mean we don't want to hear from you! Please use email, the phone or Seesaw to get in touch. Remember the following...



\*this can take place outside

If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please let us know first thing in the morning by ringing the office or Seesawing your child's teacher.

Please remember to send your pack of **paperwork** back in to school on Tuesday, with everything filled in, **signed and dated**. This will be VERY much appreciated as we then won't have to hound you for it!!!

And, finally, remember that this applies to ALL of us – staff, parents and pupils!!



Very best wishes, enjoy the long weekend and we'll see all our pupils on Tuesday 1 September 2020!

J Shipley Principal

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