



# Worthington Primary School

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"We Only Reach for The Highest"

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Dear Parents / Carers

I know how much all of us are looking forward to getting back to school this week. After what seems to have been a very different time for us all, it is great to know some things at least, are getting back to normal.

I want to reiterate the information I sent out to you all at the end of last term.

## When and where will my child be dropped off at, and picked up from in September?

From September and until further notice, we shall be operating an alphabetical order by surname drop off and pick up system. This will ensure that as parents and carers, you do not need to arrive at school at different times or wait for a second drop off time. This is essential, as our system will mean that there will be no reason for parents to wait at the entrances if you arrive at the specified time. Transmission of Covid-19 may very well increase if we as parents stop to chat to one another. Remember, we are all doing all we can to keep school open for every child.

Please refer to the table below for the arrangements:

First Letter of Last Name	Entrance / Exit	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Time
A + B + J + Q + V	Wythenshawe Road Gate	8.40 am	3.10 pm
C + D + S + X + Y	Wythenshawe Road Gate	8.45 am	3.15 pm
E + H + O + W + Z	Wythenshawe Road Gate	8.50 am	3.20 pm
K + L + M + N + U	Wythenshawe Road Gate	8.55 am	3.25 pm
F + G + I + P + R + T	Wythenshawe Road Gate	9.00 am	3.30 pm
All Nursery Children	Nursery Front Door	8.45 am 12.25 pm	11.45 am 3.25 pm
Siblings of Nursery Children	School Front Door	8.45 am	3.25 pm
Year 5 and Year 6 children who do not have any siblings at Worthington	School Front Door	8.50 am	3.20 pm

Hopefully, I can answer any queries you may have with the Q & A list below:

### **What day does my child start school this term?**

If your child is in Nursery or Reception, please refer to our earlier communication. If your child is in Year 1 – Year 6, then he/she will start back on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

### **What if I have children with different surnames?**

If this is the case, please take the surname that is first alphabetically for the purposes of entry and exit.

### **My child is in Reception in September and I have already been told about the first three days in school; do I follow those instructions or the one in the table above?**

For the first three days, please follow the instructions we shared with you earlier. From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September, please follow the entry and exit instructions as set out in the table above.

### **My child will be in Year 5 or Year 6 next year and does not have any siblings in school; does he/she enter and exit via the school front door?**

Yes. On entry at 8.50 am, your child will walk down the corridor and make their way to their classroom. At 3.20 pm, your child will walk back down the corridor to the school front door, where a member of staff will be on duty.

### **My child will be in Year 5 or Year 6 next year and does have siblings in school; does he/she enter and exit via the school front door?**

No. Please enter via the Wythenshawe Road gate at your allotted time and indicated in the table above.

### **I would like my Year 6 daughter/son to walk to and from school on their own; what do I do?**

Before they start term, you must email school on [admin@worthingtonprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@worthingtonprimary.co.uk) or telephone 0161 973 3504, to inform us of your intention. You take full responsibility for this and please be aware that we only have a crossing patrol officer on the Northenden Road crossing point near the junction of Worthington Road. If this is not staffed for any reason, I will not be able to cover this position, as I will most probably be staffing the Wythenshawe Road gate entrance at the time.

Secondly, if your Year 6 child is walking home on their own, she/he will need to enter via the school's main entrance at 8.50 am. Your child will leave school via the main entrance at 3.20 pm.

Please note that children in Year 5 or below under any circumstance will not be allowed to walk to and from school on their own.

### **I have a child in Nursery and another in main school; what do I do?**

All siblings of Nursery children will enter school via the main entrance at 8.45 am, just before you drop off your nursery child. If your nursery child leaves school at 3.25 pm, their sibling will be in the school main entrance waiting to be collected by you.

### **What do I do if I have my youngest in Nursery and older siblings somewhere else in school but my Nursery child does not attend every day?**

Please see above – even on the days your youngest is not in Nursery, the older children in your family will enter the main entrance at 8.45 am and leave via the same route at 3.25 pm.

### **What if I am going to be arriving late with my child?**

Please enter via the main entrance between 9.00 and 9.05 am and inform the office of your arrival.

**I have been told that there is a one-way system of entry and exit at the Wythenshawe Road gate; is this true?**

Yes. You will notice painted lines on the pavement of Wythenshawe Road. These are marked as socially distanced waiting zones. Please do not enter the field area through the gate until you have been asked to do so by a member of staff. As you enter with your child, you will bear right around the wooden gazebo and walk on to the path to the playground. You collect your child and then keep walking to your left, back on to the field and out via the gate you came in. Please do not stop to talk to other parents as this will break our social distancing intentions. You will very quickly pick up on how it is done.

**How do I drop off and pick up my child/ren?**

***If you are entering via the Wythenshawe Road Gate, and using a car, please do not park on Wythenshawe Road close to the gate. In addition, please do not mount the kerb as this obstructs an already very narrow pavement. Please park further away and enjoy the stroll to school.***

**My child is in either Reception class, Year 1, Year 1/2, Year 2, Year 3 or Year 3/4 – Drop Off**

You will see a painted line marked three meters away from your child's external classroom door. You must not cross that line. Children will cross that line to enter their classroom and immediately wash their hands at the classroom sink. Once your child has entered their classroom door, please leave school using the one-way system of travel.

**My child is in either Reception class, Year 1, Year 1/2, Year 2, Year 3 or Year 3/4 – Pick Up**

You will wait on the key stage one playground where it meets the field at a place in line with your child's classroom door, ensuring social distancing rules at all times. You must not cross the painted line near to the classroom door until staff see a parent or carer to pick them up. It is essential that parents and carers do not spend time with their child at collection points, as other parents will be arriving to collect their child/ren.

**My child is in either Mr Chamberlain's Year 4, either Year 5 or Year 6 – Drop Off**

If you enter via the Wythenshawe Road gate, you will leave your child at the left side of the key stage one field path and your child will walk around the back of the school to the external door of their classroom. They will enter school via their classroom door and immediately wash their hands. Due to the issues raised by cross-over at the rear of the school, parents are not allowed to go beyond the path on the field towards the school. Once your child has left your care, please leave school using the one-way system of travel.

**My child is in either Mr Chamberlain's Year 4, either Year 5 or Year 6 – Pick Up**

Any child in these classes will walk around to the side of the school facing Wythenshawe Road at their staggered pick-up time and if they have a sibling, will stand outside their youngest sibling's external classroom door to wait for their parent or carer.

Parents' carers will wait on the key stage one playground where it meets the field at a place in line with your youngest child's classroom door. You must not cross the painted line near to the classroom door.

**My child is in Year 5 or 6 and enters and exits school via the front main entrance; what do I do?**

Please stay on the pavement along Worthington Road close to the school but not blocking the front gate. You will see lines painted on the pavement indicating waiting in a socially distanced manner.

Staff will be present at the door, enabling free movement of children. Children only can enter through the front gate and on entry will sanitise their hands before walking to class. Parents should then quickly and safely leave the area. On pick up, please wait on the pavement along Worthington Road until staff see that you are there and then children will be sent out to be collected by you. Once again, please move quickly and safely away from the front gate area.

**My child is in Nursery; can I come in to the classroom to drop off my child?**

We know that leaving your child for the first few days can be a little difficult, but we really do want to preserve the integrity of each bubble as best as we can. Therefore, we ask all parents and carers to leave your child with a staff member at the door and to collect them from the door without entering the class bubble.

**I really need to speak to the school office; how do I go about this?**

Please do not contact the school office directly in person at either drop-off or pick-up times, as the school's main entrance will be extremely busy with children entering school. Please either telephone the office staff on 0161 973 3504 or alternatively, email school on [admin@worthingtonprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@worthingtonprimary.co.uk)

**I need to contact my child's class teacher; how do I go about this?**

Please email or telephone the school office as above and the school office will contact the teacher, who will then contact you via email or telephone.

**Will my child wear school uniform from September?**

Yes. You do not now need to wash your child's uniform any more frequently than normal, nor use any special cleaning solution.

**Is there anything else I need my child to bring?**

Yes. They will need their coat, at least one labelled water bottle, a small packet of tissues, their lunch box if they are bringing a packed lunch from home.

If your child is in Year 3 – 6, then they will also need a pencil case with felt tips and coloured pencils – this is to ensure that children have their own equipment without the need for sharing. All other equipment will be provided.

**Can my child bring their PE kit in a bag?**

No. We will inform you shortly of when your child will be having PE. When it is their day for PE, we want them to wear this kit all day – we will notify you of more details very shortly.

We will all very quickly get used to this new normal and we shall continue to review our procedures throughout this term. I hugely look forward to seeing you all this week.

Yours



Mr C Searle