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"We Only Reach for The Highest"

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Dear Parents / Carers

Following the Prime Minister's announcement last night, I am so very pleased to be giving you information about our **full return on Monday 8th March**. After what seemsto have been a very different and difficult time for us all, it is great to know some things at least, are getting back bnormal.

I want to provide you all with information that should make our full return a little easier.

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

From 8th March 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	Pupil Entrance	8.40 am	3.10 pm
C + D + S + X + Y	Pupil Entrance	8.45 am	3.15 pm
E + H + O + W + Z	Pupil Entrance	8.50 am	3.20 pm
K + L + M + N + U	Pupil Entrance	8.55 am	3.25 pm
F + G + I + P + R + T	Pupil Entrance	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

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

What day does my child start school?

Monday 8th March.

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.

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

Before they start back on 8th March, you must email school on admin@worthingtonprimary.co.uk or telephone 0161 973 3504 (if you have not already done so), 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.

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 Pupil Entrance; is this true?

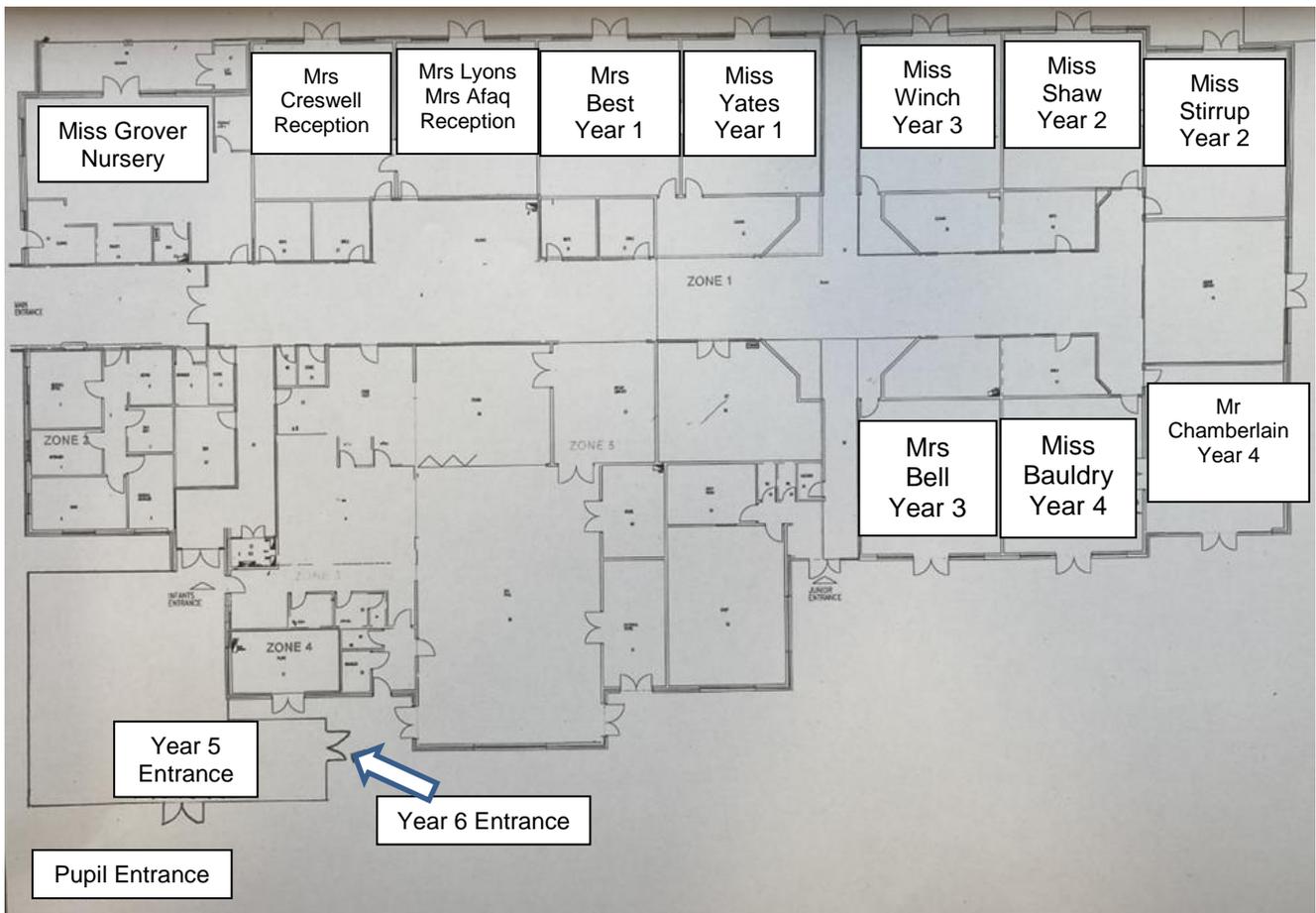
Yes. As you enter with your child, stay on the left, as you leave stay on the left. Please do not stop to talk to other parents as this will break our social distancing intentions. You will very quickly pick up on how it is done.

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

Whenever you are within school grounds, you must wear a face covering.

If you are using a car, please do not park in the disabled car park unless you carry a blue badge. Do not obstruct the driveways of the neighbours and do not park on any yellow lines. 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.

Now that there are more classes, which is which?



The plan above shows the class layout now we have two classes for each year group. It also shows the entrances for both Year 5 and Year 6 children in relation to the pupil entrance on Worthington Road.

As the number of children in school will double from 8th March, I am wondering if those of you with older Key Stage Two children might consider leaving your child at the pupil entrance, so that we can further reduce the number of people entering the school grounds.

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

Unless it is an emergency, 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

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?

Yes. You do not 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.

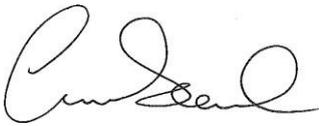
Can my child bring their PE kit in a bag?

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 the rest of this school year.

I hugely look forward to seeing you all in just nine days.

Yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Searle', written in a cursive style.

Mr C Searle