



Parent Update 15.07.20

Dear Parents and Carers

I can hardly believe that we are in our final week of the school year – and what a year this has been! I don't think any of us could have predicted the things that we have encountered, or the fantastic way that everyone has responded.

School meals

Grab Bag sandwich meal options of cheese, ham or tuna will continue to be available in September. We are unable to offer hot meals at the moment as all meals are served in the classrooms in order to keep groups apart.

There is a slight increase in the cost of school meals, which will be charged at £2.60 from September. Meals for nursery children will be charged at £1.80.

Children are alternatively able to bring their own packed lunch. Parents are requested to ensure that their child can open all packaging in their lunch as staff are unable to help children due to safety measures. Some food may need repackaging before adding it to their lunchboxes.

Uniform

Uniform is to be worn. For children in KS1 (Classes 1, 2 and 3) they should bring their PE kits to get changed into on the days they are timetabled to do PE. For children in KS2 (Classes 4 and 5) on days when your child is timetabled to do PE they may wear their PE kit all day. The class timetables will be shared with you at the start of September.

What to bring to school?

To minimise risk, children should only bring the following:

- a full water bottle (to be taken home each day, cleaned and filled)
- if required, packed lunch (ensuring all packaging can be opened by your child)
- PE kit if needed that day
- Reading book and reading record
- Homework book
- Fruit or vegetable for a snack at break
- Waterproof coat
- Sun hat/cap

It is preferred that children do not bring large bags into school as storage is limited.

Storage

Children in class 1, 2 and 3 will keep their things in lockers.

Children in classes 4 and 5 will keep their things in their classroom: coats over the backs of chairs.

Wraparound Care

Both clubs will operate in the dining room which can be found at the end of Class 1's outside area. Please do not touch anything as you pass through as it is kept clean for use by their class.



Clubs are booked by contacting Mrs Colley on 07379 289856 and need to be booked in 4 week blocks to enable us to plan for the children who will be attending. All bookings for September should be made by 28.7.2020

Due to not being able to operate clubs in the hall may mean that it is not possible to allocate places to everyone who wants them, but we will try to ensure they are available to everyone who needs them. Places will be allocated using the following criteria:

1. Places for children of key workers and vulnerable children
2. Places for children of working parents
3. Places for children who attend only for pleasure

Breakfast Club will begin on Tuesday 8.9.2020 and 3.15 Club will begin on Wednesday 9.9.2020

Breakfast Club Opening time: 7.30 a.m. till school begins Monday to Friday Available to: all children attending school Cost: £5 per session	3.15 Club Opening times: end of the school day till 5.14 p.m. Monday to Thursday Available to: children aged 4 years and above Cost: £6 per session
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Federation Fridays

It will not be possible to continue with Federation Fridays under the guidance for September, so we will be unable to join with Skelton Newby Hall School. Sporting Start will be providing access to sports on a Friday morning for classes 2,3 and 4. On a Friday, class 2 and 3 will come together and be taught by both Mr Brook and Mrs Snodgrass.

We are very grateful to Mrs Snodgrass and Mrs Dixon who have agreed to extend their normal working days to support us on a Friday at this time.

The school day

We will continue to have a staggered timetable to enable groups to be kept apart. This includes the beginning and end of the day. To reduce the amount of people entering and leaving the school site at the same time, children will have specified drop-off and pick-up times. We believe we can organise these times with great efficiency, but will be relying heavily on your help. Please make sure you are only on site during the allotted window for drop-off and arrive on site no earlier than 5 minutes before collection. You should maintain distancing and all times and leave the site swiftly. We will continue to monitor the start and end of the day to ensure that our procedures are working and will make changes if needed.

	Where	How	Drop off	Pick up
Class 1	Class 1 door	Enter the school site through the small metal gate. Your child will be invited into the classroom and then directed to you at the end of the day.	8.55-9.00 am	3.20pm
Class 2	Gate into Class 1 outside area	Enter the school site through the small metal gate. Your child will be invited into the classroom and then directed to you at the end of the day.	8.45-8.50am	3.10pm
Class 3	External hall door (old large one on the	Enter the school site through the small metal gate. Children will be invited in by a member of staff. Children will be handed over to you by a member of staff at the end of the day.	8.45-8.50am	3.10pm



	left as you enter the school site)			
Class 4	Staff car park	Enter the school site through the staff car park. Please bring your child to the gate leading into the outside area where they will be collected by a member of staff. Children will be handed over to you by a member of staff at the end of the day.	8.55-9.00 am	3.20pm
Class 5	Class 5 door onto the playground	Enter the school site through the staff car park. Please enter the school site through the staff carpark. Children will be invited in by a member of staff. Children will be handed over to you by a member of staff at the end of the day.	8.45-8.50am	3.10pm

If you are delayed and miss the allotted time, please telephone the school office to make alternative arrangements.

Please do not enter the school site if you are displaying any coronavirus symptoms.

If you have children in more than one class:

If the eldest's child's surname falls in the alphabet A-M inclusively	Use the earlier times
If the eldest's child's surname falls in the alphabet N-Z inclusively	Use the later times

Measures in place

We continue to update the measures we are taking in school to keep everyone safe. Guidance is implemented into our procedures and risk assessments actioned. The federation risk assessment for a full return in September will be shared on the website and is attached. This will continue to be reviewed as changes occur.

Guidance

The government has published guidance for parents and carers about the Autumn term which can be found [here](#).

Preparing children for returning to school

Continue to talk openly with your child about how they are feeling; remember we are here to support you, so please contact your child's teacher or myself if you need any help or have any questions.

Help reinforce messages about good hygiene, handwashing and social distancing.

Share parts of this information with your child so that they have some understanding of what school will be like when they return.

Swimming

Swimming will not take place as usual in the Autumn term. We are hoping that we can go swimming from the Spring term and will keep things under review.

Summer holiday provision

If you are considering summer activities for your children, the government has produced guidance for out-of-school settings and can be found [here](#).

**ParentPay**

Please check your ParentPay accounts and make any outstanding payments before Friday.

Goodbyes

Goodbye to the year six children. It was wonderful to have you all back in school, if briefly, just to say goodbye. We are so proud of you all and know that you will be amazing year 7 students. Good luck and don't forget to let us know how you are doing as we will be thinking of you.

Finally, have a fantastic summer break. Hopefully the weather will be kind and some adventures can be had. Well done to you all for the hard work that has gone on at home to support children in both their learning and their wellbeing. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in September and finding out how they have been and what they have been doing.

If you have any concerns, please get in touch with us now so that we can work together to find solutions.

Have a great summer.

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