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Dear Parents,

COVID-19 in schools reflects community transmission.

We are writing to update you on the school's COVID-19 measures in light of recent developments and after the first few weeks of school.

We are fortunate to live in SW London - Wandsworth, Merton and Kingston-on-Thames are amongst the London Boroughs with the lowest incidence of COVID-19 currently. This is great for our children. We want to keep it that way.

Thank you for all the steps you have taken to adapt to the new collection and drop off times to help us minimise risk. After reflecting on the first few weeks of school and considering feedback from parents and staff, we will now try to limit the differences in drop off times so far as possible, so that parents of siblings will have less time to wait. We are also moving the drop off/collection locations of the early years. We recognise that as parents of younger children, you are more likely to want to spend time at drop off and collection. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic it is not safe to do so. We are also working hard to ensure pupils are promptly released from their classes at the right times to limit the waiting times for parents.

We would also like to remind you of the safety rules for our school:

- 1 parent only on the premises for drop off/collection
- All parents must follow the one-way system
- Parents should drop/collect and go and not socialise on the school grounds or outside on Chase Alley

Preventing mingling of parents (adults) will hopefully limit transmission. We would now also strongly encourage you to wear a mask at drop off and collection. We will closely monitor community transmission and if /when it rises, we may need to make it mandatory to wear masks. We would like to avoid this where possible.

We also urge you to consider wearing a mask whenever you have any cold symptoms (runny or blocked nose, sore throat, cough) - even if it is not COVID-19, or doesn't meet the criteria for testing for COVID-19. Limiting the spread of all winter respiratory viruses will help limit the number of times children need to isolate and seek a test. Collectively, we can continue to limit transmission and keep our school open.

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We will continue to review drop off and collection periods over the coming weeks to see if we can reduce stagger times safely.

We thank you for your continued support as we approach the winter period.

Kindest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill Augustin", with a decorative flourish underneath.

Jill Augustin
Headteacher

The table below shows amended drop off and collection times.

Table: Monday 28th September the amended drop off and collection times are as follows:

Year Group	Drop Off Time	Drop Off Point	Collection time	Collection Point
Nursery NO CHANGE	8.30am (am and 30 hour session) 12.25pm (pm session)	Nursery entrance via the gate next to the main school building	11.25am (am session) 3.25pm (pm session) 3.30pm (30 hour session)	Nursery entrance via the gate next to the main school building
Reception Owls	8.50am	Reception playground gate closest to Chase Alley	3.00pm	Reception playground gate closest to Chase Alley
Reception Robins	8.50am	Reception playground side gate	3.00pm	Reception playground side gate
Reception Sparrows	8.50am	NEW BUILD BACKFIELD DOOR (next to Acorn Nursery)	3.00pm	Reception playground gate closest to Chase Alley
Year 1 1B Mrs Scott	8.45am	Dining hall playground	3.00pm	Dining hall playground
1A Miss Bialkowski	8.45am	SLOPE NEXT TO GYM	3.00pm	SLOPE NEXT TO GYM
1C Mrs Baines	8.45am	1C SLOPE	3.00pm	1C SLOPE
Year 2	8.45am	Y2 door	3.05pm	Y2 door
Year 3 NO CHANGE	8.40am	Year 3 slope next to Gym	3.20pm	Football area in playground
Year 4 NO CHANGE	8.30am	Year 2 area (Y2 door)	3.10pm	4A, slope next to Gym 4B and 4C, Year 2 area (Y2 door)
Year 5 NO CHANGE	8.30am	Dining hall playground	3.10pm	Dining hall playground
Year 6 NO CHANGE	8.25am	Slope next to Gym	3.15pm	Dining hall playground

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 can now go straight to class at their allocated times.