

Details of our Return to School Arrangements for 8th March 2021

Drop Off and Collection

The staggered drop off and collection times will help reduce too many people coming onto the school site at once.

- For safety reasons, we will continue to operate a one way system throughout the playground. This has helped reduce the number of adult interactions and helped keep members of our school community safe.
- **One parent** per household should drop off and collect their child/ren.
- Parents and children should 'enter' the playground using the 'Main' entrance gate (Merton Hall Road) and 'exit' via the 'Back' gate (Chase Alley) and as far as is reasonably possible, follow the 1metre + social distance guides.
- Please **do not** stop in the playground or Chase Alley to socialise and ensure your child/ren do not play on the playground equipment.
- Children should stay with their adult at all times and **not ride a scooter or cycle** on the school grounds.
- **To try and reduce parents having to stop and wait, the children should go straight into class at their allotted time. A member of staff will be on entrances and teachers or support staff will be welcoming children in the classroom. Parents should 'drop & go' to reduce congestion.**
- It is vital you stick to the given drop off and collection time. This system is in place to help keep the community safe.
- We recognise that for parents with siblings, a staggered start and finish time will mean that you may need to walk around the one way system to wait to collect your child. Due to the numbers of adults on the school site, we request that you do not wait within the school grounds. We are unable to accommodate pupils leaving earlier or later, as this would pose additional logistical difficulties with our increased numbers as well as impact on curriculum delivery. We would like to thank parents for not waiting at gates or on the school grounds at these busy times. The procedures will be constantly reviewed with the aim to reduce 'staggering' as much as is reasonably safe to do so, whilst continuing to mitigate risk.
- Please also remember that parents should not come onto the school site during the day without an appointment.
- The wearing of face coverings on the school grounds and at the entrances and exits to the school are strongly advised and should be worn unless exempt

Year Group	Drop Off Time	Drop Off Point	Collection time	Collection Point
Nursery	8.30am (AM and 30 hour session)	For AM & 30 hours please use the one way system to enter the school.	11.25am (AM session)	For AM & 30 hours , please access the school via the Chase Alley entrance to pick up.
	12.25pm (PM session)	For PM , please access the school via the Chase Alley entrance.	3.25pm (PM session) 3.30pm (30 hour session)	For PM & 30 hours please use the one way system to enter the school.
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	Reception playground gate closest to Chase Alley	3.00pm	Reception playground gate closest to Chase Alley
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 – outside classroom	3.00pm	1C Slope – outside classroom
Year 2	8.45am	2A,2B and 2C, Year 2 area (Year2 door)	3.05pm	2A, 2B and 2C, Year 2 area (Year 2 door)
Year 3	8.40am	Slope next to Gym	3.20pm	Football area in playground

Year 4	8.30am	Year 2 door	3.10pm	4A, 4B and 4C, slope next to Gym
Year 5	8.30am	Dining hall playground	3.10pm	Dining hall playground
Year 6	8.25am	Slope next to Gym	3.15pm	Dining hall playground

Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 can now go straight to class at their allocated times.

To reconfirm the school guidance:

- **One** parent only on the premises for drop off/collection
- **All** parents and children must follow the one way system
- Parents should drop off/collect and go and not socialise on the school grounds or outside on Chase Alley
- Face masks should be worn on the school premises unless exempt

School Uniform

Children should attend school wearing full school uniform including sensible black shoes.

P.E Kit

Children should wear their PE kit to school on the days of their PE lessons.

Equipment

Children from Year 3 upwards should bring to school a small pencil case that will remain in school. This should include pencils and a pen, a small number of coloured pencils, a small ruler and glue stick.

School Trips/Educational Visits

Following guidance, no educational visits have been planned. This will be reviewed regularly.

Breakfast/After School Clubs and School Clubs

[Parents choosing to send their child/ren to additional wrap-around provision:](#)

Breakfast Club (Nursery to Year 6) will commence from Monday 8th March at 7.45am. Places must now be pre-booked. To register for a place, please email bc@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk

The After School Provision (Reception to Year 6) will be available from 3.00pm-6.00pm, this is run by Happy Faces. Happy Faces will commence After School Provision with effect from Monday 8th March. To register for a place, please contact Karen Reddy - happyfaceschase@gmail.com

Children will be kept where possible within phase groups whilst at Breakfast and After School Club. It will not be possible to separate year groups whilst running a workable

provision. However, the pre-book arrangements will facilitate constant grouping so far as possible.

At WCPS, we need to take a safe and sustainable approach to fully re-opening. Because classrooms take additional time to clean, extracurricular clubs will in the first instance, be delivered by sports providers and run outside (weather permitting). Providers will conduct their own risk assessments, following DfE, specific affiliation and/or Sports England guidance. The extracurricular sports clubs will commence with effect from 15th March. This provision will be reviewed regularly, with more details to follow. We are mindful of ensuring a variety of provision so far as possible within these constraints.

The Curriculum and Pastoral Support

The normal school curriculum has been followed over this present lockdown. Therefore, children will continue with the school curriculum when they return. Children will be quickly assessed in class and targeted support will be in place for those children who may need help to 'catch up'. We are very aware of any stigma that may be attached to this and so will be mindful of how we position the support with the children.

Behaviour Policy

The Behaviour Policy is available on the school website and the expectations will be re-shared with the children upon their return to school. Whilst behaviour expectations specific to additional hygiene and spatial awareness measures, regarding COVID-19 will remain in the policy, we will also be re-launching our expectations and school rules.

Communication with Parents

As always, communication between class teacher and parents is so very important. However, due to social distancing rules, and the need to minimise the number of adults at school, meetings will be difficult. We will communicate with you shortly regarding future Parent Teacher Discussions as well as IESP meetings.

As before, please do contact the school office via email if you would like the class teacher or a member of the leadership team to contact you. Due to considerations of safe travel and increased cleaning measures, adults at school will be altering their work patterns, so that they can travel more safely during quieter times. We are ensuring that a member of the leadership team will be available to take calls between 4.00pm to 6.00pm, each day, so please feel welcome to make contact. Please also use the Home School Diary or Communication Book to communicate with the teacher.

Attendance

School attendance is mandatory and it is the expectation that all children of school age should return to school. We recognise that a number of pupils and parents may be anxious to return to school. Teachers are committed to ensure that your child will feel happy, safe and ready to learn when they come back to school. Whilst we will be following the normal school curriculum immediately, we will be helping children build up their behaviour for learning skills such as concentration and communication. The school follows the system of control measures, as advised by the Government and Public Health England.

You must not send your child to school if they are unwell. Please continue to contact the school via absence@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk to inform the school office on the first day of your child's absence. **You must not send your child to school if they or any member of the household has COVID-19 symptoms.** Please follow the Government Stay-at-home guidance. Details can be found, along with the Test and Trace process, on our Frequently Asked Questions, on the school website [Protective Measures].

If your child or a member of your household receives a positive COVID-19 test please contact the school immediately and email Mrs Dotchin at:
parentsupportadvisor@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk