



HILLINGDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

First Week Back at School
Monday 6th September to Friday 10th September 2021
Year 1 to Year 6 (2021/2022)

I hope your child is enjoying the first day of the summer break.

Please find below information regarding the return to school in September. The intention is to return to 'normal' after the summer break. However, we have built in some flexibility so we can react quickly to any changes needed. If there are any changes we will let you know before the beginning of term. The first two weeks will be a time to establish routines and ensure the children are safe and secure in the new post-COVID school environment.

Attendance

We return to school on Monday 6th September 2021. Without an appropriate reason, attendance for all children who do not attend on this date will be unauthorised.

September 2021 - Induction to New Classes

Due to a range of COVID mitigations in place our students have not had their usual induction visits to their new classroom. Therefore the arrival and departure times for the FIRST WEEK are similar to this term with a few tweaks - please see below. These arrival and departure times will remain for the first week so that children and parents/carers can orientate themselves and we as a school community can be reassured that our children can enter the school building with confidence that they will find their new classroom and leave the school building safely at the end of the school day.

I know that the one way system has caused much debate. From my point of view it has had the reassuring advantage of removing the congestion that we used to experience between the two main school buildings and therefore allows staff to more easily view the children as they come on and off the school premises so we ensure they are safe. Therefore, we will be keeping a version of the one way system in place for September although further consideration will be given to gates of entrance and exit for parents/carers.



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Arrival and Dismissal Times from Monday 6th September 2021 to Friday 10th September 2021

During the first week staff will be on duty to guide children and parents/carers to their child's entrance and exit door.

New Year Group	Arrival Time Students should come into school at any time during this time slot.	Dismissal Time Parents can collect their child at any time during this time slot.
Key Stage 2 If you have a child in another year group then you are welcome to wait on the school premises until their arrival or dismissal time.		
Year 6	8.30 am to 8.50 am	3.10 pm to 3.20 pm <i>Children whose parents have given permission to walk home alone will be dismissed from the school premises at 3.20 pm.</i> Permission should have been emailed to Mrs Childs: schilds@hillingdonprimaryschool.org.uk
Year 5	8.30 am to 8.50 am	3.10 pm to 3.20 pm
Year 4	8.40 am to 9.00 am	3.00 pm to 3.10 pm If you have flexibility we would appreciate you arriving between 3.00 pm and 3.10 pm. However, if you have working commitments or similar then we will look after your child until 3.20 pm.
Year 3	8.45 am to 9.00 am	3.00 pm to 3.10 pm If you have flexibility we would appreciate you arriving between 3.00 pm and 3.10 pm. However, if you have working commitments or similar then we will look after your child until 3.20 pm.
Key Stage 1 If you have a child in another year group then you are welcome to wait on the school premises until their arrival or dismissal time.		
Year 2	8.50 am to 9.00 am	2.55 pm to 3.05 pm If you have flexibility we would appreciate you arriving between 2.55 pm and 3.05 pm. However, if you have working commitments or similar then we will look after your child until 3.15 pm.
Year 1 PARENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A CHILD IN KEY STAGE 2	8.50 am to 9.00 am	2.55 pm to 3.05 pm If you have flexibility we would appreciate you arriving between 2.55 pm and 3.05 pm. However, if you have working commitments or similar then we will look after your child until 3.15 pm.

Year 1 PARENTS WHO HAVE A CHILD IN KEY STAGE 2	8.40 am to 9.00 am	3.05 pm to 3.15 pm
Students starting the Nursery and Reception classes in September 2021 have their own start and finish times for the beginning of term.		

Published Arrival and Departure Times

During the week beginning Monday 13th September we will revert back to the normal arrival and departure times. We will build in a short time slot to enable children and parents/carers to avoid too much congestion. However, for child care purposes parents/carers should note the following times for arrival and departure. We will provide further information about the arrangements for this week at the beginning of term.

Key Stage 1: Arrival at 9.00 am
Departure at 3.15 pm

Key Stage 2: Arrival at 8.50 am
Departure at 3.20 pm

Lunches- The Pantry

For the first two weeks of the term The Pantry will be offering a sandwich lunch while we re-establish/review our routines/systems for hot lunches. Hot lunches are likely to be available from Monday 20th September 2021. We will confirm the availability of hot lunches and the menu at the beginning of September.

Breakfast Club and 4.30 Club

Parents/carers who require a place in the Breakfast Club and/or the 4.30 Club should have completed a form for Mrs Childs (Welfare Manager / schildts@hillingdonprimaryschool.org.uk) and returned it.

School Uniform

All students should be wearing the correct school uniform from Monday 6th September. Please find a [link to our school uniform list](#).

Please note that during the winter boots should not be worn with skirts. We would like to thank all parents/carers for ensuring that their children are dressed in the correct school uniform.

PE Kit

We will continue to ask the children to wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. Parents/carers will be informed of the PE timetable at the beginning of the new school year. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit for winter and summer PE.

Bags

Students in Year 1 to Year 5 should not bring backpacks into school. They should bring a book bag (it doesn't have to be the school one) and a drawstring PE bag. This means our corridors remain less congested making it easier to move around and work in. A book bag fits into your child's tray and ensures it is easily accessible for your child to efficiently organise their belongings. Nursery, Reception and Year 6 are able to have backpacks. Their classrooms are located in the new build where the cloakroom provision is more generous. I know that many of the Nursery and Reception children need to bring a change of clothes and backpacks are

used for this purpose. For our Year 6 children it is now a privilege that comes with being the oldest members of the school and as role models for our younger students.

Stationery - Pencils, pens etc.

We know that many of our students enjoy preparing for the new school term.

Please find a [link to the stationery](#) that children may bring to school.

Home Learning

During the last week of term your child has been introduced to the Summer Reading Challenge for 2021 and the Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) project 'A Journey' that they will be studying at the beginning of term. Please do ask them about this work and talk through the information provided with this newsletter.

The Summer Reading Challenge features the 'Wild World Heroes' in partnership with the WWF (World Wide Fund for Nature) for a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire our students to stand up for the planet! During the Autumn term all TEFAT schools will be taking a keen interest in The COP 26 UN Climate Change Conference, hosted by the UK in partnership with Italy, will take place from 31 October to 12 November 2021 in Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom so there are some great links with the reading challenge and future learning.

We do not expect all children to complete the challenge but we encourage all parents/carers to see if it can fit in with their plans for the summer. If not, we would really appreciate your child reading for pleasure as much as possible.

The PSHE 'A Journey' project links in with the PSHE topic, 'What Makes Me, Me' that we worked on last year. Each year this project builds on the previous years' work. This year we are asking the children to consider presenting an account of 'A Family Journey'. Last year we had some wonderful work produced over the summer holidays and we are keen for the children to become involved this year. However, it is an optional piece of work. As a minimum we would ask that as a family you shared some of your family journeys in your conversations over the summer.

For more details on the Summer Reading Challenge and the PSHE project for Years 1-6, please see the guidance document attached.

We look forward to welcoming our students back in September!



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