

2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020



## **Beginning of term message and COVID updates from Mrs Woolley**

Dear parent/carer,

As we approach the beginning of the Autumn term, I wanted to give you an update on our plans for when all students return to school in September 2020.

Key starting dates are:

- **All pupils in Year 1 to Year 6 will return to school from Monday 7th September.**
- **Pupils in Reception will start on these days:**
  - **Autumn Born Children - Monday 7th September 9:30-11:30 2020**
  - **Spring Born Children - Tuesday 8th September 9:30-11:30 2020**
  - **Summer Born Children - Wednesday 9th September 9:30-11:30 2020**

**Reception will be full time from Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Breakfast/After school club starts on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

**Our full set of [term dates](#) can be found on our website.**

We are following the Government guidance and are putting in place a great deal of detailed work to ensure we implement all the measures needed to make school as safe as it can be for our pupils and staff when they all return.

**Detailed plans published in July can be found on the school website. They include specific information on your child's start and finish times, together with exits and entrances into school. A map of the school is now included.**

***In addition to this original guidance please note the following:***

- Lost property can no longer be stored in school therefore all clothing, bags, water bottles and lunch boxes must be labelled. (Please note there is no access to drinking fountains)
- Tuck will not be available in Term 1 for KS2 children. An item of fruit may be brought in and stored in their class trays. In EYFS/KS1, daily fruit will be provided.
- Children will not be able to bring in sweets/cakes to share a birthday celebration.
- Hot meals will be available from the start of the school and need to be booked online.
- Staggered break and lunch times to take into account social distancing will be in operation.
- Enhanced cleaning routines have been built into the school day.

The first few days will be focused around routines and protocols with an emphasis on pupil well-being. This will make sure that everyone fully understands and feels confident with our new routines.

We all still have a role to play to stop the spread of infection and we must all continue to follow the Government's and NHS guidance. If any student has symptoms of Coronavirus, however mild, **they must not come to school**. All the information about what to do if you have symptoms is available in the attached pack and also on the Government website here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

We will do our very best to make sure that all children are supported and enjoy returning to learning at school. Your patience and understanding during this time are really appreciated. If you need any further information, please let me know by emailing [info@littleridgeprimary.org](mailto:info@littleridgeprimary.org)

With thanks for your continued support during this challenging time,

Kate Woolley

Head of School