

FRIDAY BULLETIN

24 September 2021

START/FINISH TIMES

Thank you to everyone for managing the new arrangements for the beginning and end of the school day. Children have come in to school very well and have settled quickly. Can I please ask when leaving the school site at the end of the day, you use the paths to walk **around the car park and not across it** – we would like to keep everyone as safe as possible. Please then exit via the far end gate - we would like to leave the main gate free for children walking home by themselves to avoid them walking through the car park.

If collecting pupils from Year 3, could you please stand near the tree area to the right of the Year 3 white doors to allow the adults to clearly and safely see who to dismiss the children to.

It has been wonderful to see more children walking, biking or scooting to school and we would encourage as many children to do so as possible to limit the amount of traffic around the school site.

SICKNESS AND ABSENCE

We understand that at this time of year, with the added factor of mixing with a wider range of people and the relaxation of restrictions, that children will pick up coughs and colds. However, it is still imperative that we continue to do all we can to protect our school community so if your child is displaying symptoms of a **new, persistent cough, temperature and/or loss or change in smell/taste** guidance states that they must take a **PCR test** (NOT a lateral flow test) and isolate until they have the result. If a negative result, your child may return to school (providing they are well enough to do so). Children who are identified as a close contact are advised to take a PCR test but do not need to isolate while waiting for the result providing they are symptom free.

Also, a reminder regarding our sickness and absence policy: if a child is absent due to sickness AND/OR diarrhoea, they may only return to school **48 hours** after the last bout.

F.O.L.S UNIFORM COLLECTION

If you have any **logoed** uniform you wish to donate to school, F.O.L.S are currently collecting so please put any items of clothing in the box near the school gates.

LOST PROPERTY

We are getting an increased amount of lost property from odd socks and jumpers to snack pots. Please ensure every item is clearly named so it can be matched to its owner.

SNACKS

We are a school that promotes healthy eating so please ensure any snacks the children bring for breaktime are of a healthy choice (no biscuits, cakes, crisps, snack pots, food in packets etc). Key Stage 1 will have access to a piece of free fruit each day. Also please remember we are a nut-free school.