



# The Priory Primary School

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to update you regarding some important information about the next academic year.

Following the government's reduction in COVID guidance starting from July 19th, we will be adjusting many of the systems that we have in place ready for the new year.

Many of the aspects of our current provision has worked very well (especially to alleviate the parking problems we had around the school site), but have taken away our sense of community and so now we are looking to blend together aspects both from before and during COVID to give you and the children the best possible options both in terms of a great start to the day and an effective / efficient pick up process.

We may need to adapt aspects of the following processes and we will be considering the first half term a trial. Also if the government guidance were to change we would revert back to the procedures we have been operating during the last two years.

However, for now please find all of the key details to help you prepare for the new school year.

## Timings of the school day

**KS2** = 8.20am - 3.15pm

**YR & KS1** = 8.30am - 3.15am

**All** - Registration Closes at 8.55am (children are officially late from 8.55am)

**All** - First lesson starts at 9am

**All - Break** = 10am - 10.20am

**All - Lunch** = 12noon - 1pm





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## Drop Off / Morning Routines

**Parents of all year groups will have a choice of using either the drop off on the rear playground or parking and accompanying their child/ren onto the school front playground.**

### KS2

KS2 children to be dropped off between 8.20am and 8.30am - the bell on the playground will ring at 8.30am and the children will line up for the teachers to collect.

Children being dropped off on the rear playground will walk through to the front playground.

From 8.30am - 8.50am - the children should engage in Critical skills / interventions

Register at 8.50am - 8.55am

### Transition

There will be a 5 minute transition between the drop off cycles (8.30am - 8.35am)

### KS1 / YR

YR children to be dropped off between 8.35am and 8.45am - the bell on the playground will ring at 8.45am and the children will line up for the teachers to collect.

Children being dropped off on the rear playground will walk through to the front playground.

Register at 8.50am - 8.55am

**\* Siblings with children in both Key Stages will come in at the earlier time - but the younger children will remain on the front playground until the second bell rings. Unless it is raining heavily in which case they will come straight to class.**

**\*\* We anticipate that approximately half the school's parents will use the drop and the other half will use the playground - but this will be tested during the first half term.**





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## Pick Up Routines

We are again providing a **choice** for parents both for location and timings of the end of the day.

**3.15pm - 3.25pm** = end of the school day - the children will be brought out to the front playground and passed over to the parents who have parked and collected from the front playground.

**3.25pm - 3.35pm** = remaining children brought round to the back playground to be collected via a drive through service. These are not late pick-ups - but parents who can choose to use this service. We need to continue to use this process to alleviate the pressures on the parking, but not all parents will opt for this approach, we anticipate approximately 50/50. But this is a trial system which will be revised accordingly.

\* Communicating with teachers can happen either on the playground or via the drive through.

\*\* We will need to adjust the system if this overloads either the drop off or the parking system, or if there is too much of a bottle neck on the road system.

## Additional Information

**PE Days** (which will be confirmed before the start of term) will continue to be days when the children will come to school dressed in their PE kits, however full school uniform (according to the new uniform list) is to be worn on the day other school days including school shoes.

**Pencil Cases** we are now asking for the children to bring in their own named pencil case in Yr 1-6. Inside the pencil case should be:

- 2 x pencils
- Rubber
- Small ruler
- A purple pen / biro for editing
- A highlighter pen(s)
- Pencil sharpener





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- An ink pen can be bought in for children in the older year groups for best writing however, communication about this will go out separately next term.

## Core Text Books

The children reading core texts this year has been incredibly successful, thank you for purchasing them for your children. Your child's new core text list will be sent to you during the holidays for you to be able to purchase the new books.

More information will follow this email as we prepare for the new school year.

