

Principal: Mrs A Maqsood-Shah

1st September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope that you have all had a restful and enjoyable summer break. At the academy, we are really looking forward to having all our pupils back at school tomorrow Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>. As mentioned in my last letter in the summer term, all existing procedures will remain in place up to and including Friday 24th December. This includes the continuation of the staggered school day; social distancing; wearing of face masks; and maintaining bubbles.

We will be continue working with caution in this Autumn term and as such there will be very few changes to the systems and procedures of school operation. In particular:

- When pupils are in school, they will remain within their year/class group bubble. We will be avoiding any non-essential mixing of year groups.
- Arrivals, break times, lunchtimes and end of school will be staggered to minimise the interaction between year groups. Late children will be asked to wait at the main gate on Fisher Lane and a member of staff will come to assist when all year groups are in the building.
- Year groups will be separated within the school wherever possible so that pupils have access to a minimal number of classrooms and use of communal areas is strictly controlled.
- All areas of the school will receive more frequent cleaning and there will be hand sanitiser available throughout the school. We will continue to encourage children to wash their hands regularly and promote 'catch it, bin it, kill it' for any sneezes or coughs.
- Sport and Physical Education will predominantly take place outdoors and contact sports will not be played; pupils will be expected to come to school in their P.E kit on the days they are scheduled to have P.E. please see PE days below.

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FS2	Wednesday AM	
Y1	Friday AM	
Y2	Thursday AM	
Y3	Wednesday PM	
Y4	Tuesday AM - Swimming	
Y5	Monday AM	
Y6	Thursday PM & Friday PM	





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• We will not be offering breakfast or afterschool clubs in the first few weeks.

• Children will not be permitted to go home for lunch, children will either have a school meal or a packed lunch from home. The school office will not accept any late lunch boxes

Year Group	Arriving Between Time &	Collect Between Time & Gate
	Gate	
FS1 (morning)	8:30-8:40am – Nursery Gate	11:30-11:40am – Nursery Gate
FS1 (afternoon)	12:30-12:40pm – Nursery Gate	3:30-3:40pm – Nursery Gate
FS2	8:40-8:50am – FS2 Gate	2:50-3:00pm – FS2 Gate
Y1	8:50-9:00am – Infant Gate	3:10-3:20pm – Infant Gate
Y2	8:40-8:50am – Infant Gate	3:00-3:10pm – Infant Gate
Y3	8:50-9:00am – Main Gate	3:10-3:20pm – Main Gate
Y4	8:40-8:50am – FS2 Gate	3:00-3:10pm – FS2 Gate
Y5	8:50-9:00am – FS2 Gate	3:10-3:20pm – FS2 Gate
Y6	8:40-8:50am – Main Gate	3:00-3:10pm – Main Gate

We would request that you take care to follow any instructions around pick-up and drop-off and socially distance at the school gates.

Please note that Reception pupils will have a staggered start for this week. This means that all Reception pupils will attend school on:

- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September from 9:00 am to 11:30 am
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September from 8:45 am to 12:30 pm
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September onwards all Reception pupils will be in school full time from 8:40am to 2:50.

I am delighted to report that we have had much of the work completed on Junior playground over the summer holidays. However, our kitchen refurbishment will not be completed until end of October. This means that we have had to alter the menu offer for this period. This has been carefully designed to ensure that despite not having a fully functioning kitchen for a few weeks our children get a nutritious, enjoyable, and balanced meal every day. <u>To see the menu for the</u> <u>next two weeks, click on this link.</u>





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Finally, we are all anticipating a brilliant start to another fantastic year for our pupils at High Hazels Academy as well as working with all our families on our partnership.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs. A Maqsood-Shah Principal

