

13th August 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to seeing all of the children return to the academy on Wednesday 2nd September, but in line with the current Government guidance, we will still have some things which are different about the way the academy is working ensuring the safety of all members of the academy community.

From the start of term, we will be organising the school into three 'bubbles' which will enable us to ensure that things can remain as normal as possible, whilst limiting unnecessary contact between our children. We have organised our bubbles into the following three groups:

1. Early Years (Hedgehogs and Kingfishers)
2. Key Stage 1 (Badgers, Rabbits and Foxes)
3. Key Stage 2 (Squirrels, Otters, Kestrels and Owls)

Therefore, we will be having a slightly staggered start and end to the day, with each bubble having a time slot to arrive and leave, but we have tried to keep the disruption for all pupils and parents to a minimum. Key Stage 2 children will start to enter their classes at 8:40am, Key Stage 1 at 8:50am and then Early Years at 9am. All parents and pupils will need to follow the one-way system to reduce the risk of contact. At the end of the day, Key Stage 2 and Early Years pupils will be collected at 3pm, and Key Stage 1 pupils at 3:10, with the same one-way system in place. We appreciate that for some parents who have siblings this will be tricky, and are looking at ways we can facilitate making this easier.

We will be finalising the risk assessments and procedures, which will be put up onto the website next week, these will contain further details about the steps we are taking to continue to reduce the risk to all members of the academy. An addendum to the usual Home Academy Agreement will also be available next week, which we would appreciate you talking through with your child in advance of the start of term.

During our return to school, we wish to ensure that all children receive the full curriculum as far as possible. To enable us to do this, we would request that children will attend school in their PE kits on days where they are timetabled to have PE. This will not start until the week beginning Monday 7th September - details of days for PE will be sent home in class newsletters during the first week back.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs R. King
Principal