



2nd September 2021

RE: Returning to School - 6th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all enjoyed a fantastic summer and managed some quality downtime, especially with relaxed government measures.

We very much look forward to welcoming children in Year 1-6 back to school on Monday 6th September. (Reception parents, please refer to your individual letters for your dates and times).

Gates will open at 8:30am and plenty of staff will be on hand to direct and assist you. Learning activities are available from this time, so please ensure your child is in school and on time.

Our one way system through the car park will remain in operation for the foreseeable future. We continue to ask that where possible, only one family member brings and collects your child/ren. We also politely ask that all KS2 (Years 3-6) children walk themselves through the school gate and to their classrooms. Gates close at 9am - children will be classed as late after this point.

EYFS, Y1, Y2 and Y3 will finish school at 3pm (please collect from your child's classroom door) and Years 4 - 6 will finish at 3:10pm. Again, staff will be on hand and doors will be signposted to help you over the first few days.

Y6 children will be allowed to walk home alone if a permission slip is signed. The Y6 team will send these out within the first few days. Regrettably, we will not allow them to walk younger siblings home.

If you are not able to collect your child for any reason, please advise staff and ensure the person you are sending is over the age of 16 and knows the password. In extreme circumstances the Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead may give permission for a sibling under the age of 16 to collect your child.

Please be patient with staff in the first few days of September as they get to know you and your passwords. These processes are in place to safeguard the children.

We actively encourage face coverings and social distancing whilst on school site and respectfully ask that only 1 person/1 family enter the office at one time. The office will be closed to parents visiting the site between the hours of 10am and 2pm daily.

We anticipate that the office will be very busy over the first week, but we do have an effective answerphone service. Therefore, if you need to make contact with the school in an emergency but your call is not answered, please do leave a message as these are picked up frequently throughout the day.



For non-urgent enquiries that your class teacher could answer, please use the year group email system, e.g. Year4@jewell-aspirations.org. Staff will aim to answer any emails within 48 business hours.

Please do not attend site or send your child/ren to school if you or they are experiencing any symptoms of CV19. Please follow NHS and government guidelines: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

If your child/ren are testing for CV19 due to symptoms, we will require you to send/show the screenshot of their negative result from the NHS clearly showing their name and DOB before they will be allowed back on school site.

Attendance will be monitored more robustly this academic year and further information around this will be shared with you in due course.

We will be continuing with “bubbles” for a few weeks yet - just to get over the hurdle of summer mixing. This does not necessarily mean that we will collapse whole bubbles if a case occurs. Bubbles will help us to start school safely and keep children at school if a case or outbreak occurs.

Children should be in full school uniform on their return to school. Please ensure your children have all of the correct kit that they need. They may attend school in their PE kit on PE days (please wait to hear from class teachers about these days). If they have Forest School, please can children wear their PE kits on these days. <https://www.jewell-aspirations.org/about-us/uniform/>

If you wish for your child to have a Hot School Meal and if you are entitled to Free School Meals (FSM), please ensure you have booked these via Parent Pay at least one week in advance. If you think you may be entitled to FSM you can find out here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

St Claire's are ready to take on our Breakfast and After School Club care. We are very excited to welcome them on board. Please book all your childcare needs via their website: <https://www.stclaires.co.uk/>

We are so very excited to start this academic year and hope to be able to invite you to whole school events, celebrations and fab finishes very soon. We have missed you!

Wishing you all a fabulous weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Alex Waddington
Principal