



An Academy

1st September 2020

Dear Boughton Families

I hope that this letter finds you all safe and well after the summer break.

It seems very strange to think that it is September and that the year has sped past before our eyes!

I thought it would be helpful for parents to be reminded of the key points for our reopening tomorrow.

The plans for reopening were published on the School News section of the website back in July; please follow [this link](#) to see them.

The parent information document confirms the timings of the school day, arrival and departure; I have pasted them below for your convenience:

YEAR	ENTRANCE & EXIT	START	END
6	Main gate, classroom door	Door opens 8.30a.m.	3.30p.m.
5	Main gate, classroom door	Door opens 8.45a.m.	3.30p.m.
4	Middle gate, classroom door	Door opens 8.30a.m.	3.30p.m.
3	Middle gate, classroom door	Door opens 8.45a.m.	3.30p.m.
2	Playground gate	8.45a.m.	3.15p.m.
1	Bottom car park door	8.45a.m.	3.15p.m.
R	Reception outdoor area gate	9a.m.	3.15p.m.

As previously explained, we have introduced a staggered start and finish to the day to enable distancing between children and adults on the school site. This may be problematic for some families with siblings and I am aware that parents have emailed for clarification. We are able to offer some flexibility in the mornings regarding drop-off times; for example, if one child's class is open from 8.30a.m. and another is from 8.45a.m., you can bring both children from 8.30a.m but do be mindful that there may be a short wait. If teachers are set up and ready they will open their doors slightly earlier than their allotted time (but no earlier than 8.30a.m.)

Registration in Years 1 to 6 will still take place at 9a.m, the timing arrangements are purely to help facilitate distancing. Latecomers in Key Stage One will need to come to the main front door; in Key Stage Two they will need to knock on the classroom door.

Finishing times between the key stages remain at 3.15p.m. for Reception and Key Stage One pupils, and 3.30p.m. for Key Stage Two. If collecting younger siblings, parents are asked to ensure their family members maintain distancing when waiting for an older child.

We ask that only one parent/carer drops off or collects the children, again to assist us in managing distancing.

Face-to-face visits/meetings will be by appointment only and any visitors will need to wear a mask to enter the school building.

PARKING

The school car parks MUST NOT be used by parents to park or turn their vehicles at any time. There will be children and families walking down the lane or waiting in both the top and bottom car park areas. Please respect our wish to keep all of our families safe.

Please note that there are temporary traffic lights at the main Boughton roundabout, you may need to allow longer for your journey to school.

HYGIENE

We will provide soap and hand sanitiser, unless any child has an allergy or other medical reason which means they are unable to use these; if this is the case, please contact the school office.

PE KIT AND EQUIPMENT

Children need to wear their PE kit to school on their PE days, which will start on Monday 7th September.

These are:

Y1: Monday

Y2: Monday

Y3: Tuesday

Y4: Wednesday

Y5: Thursday

Y6: Friday

Children need to bring the minimum amount of additional items to school with them as we will not be able to use the cloakroom areas and they will be keeping belongings in their classrooms.

RECOVERY CURRICULUM

Our priority during these first days and weeks of reopening will be to ensure the children feel safe and secure at school. Whilst we are all still very aware of the risks and concerns about Covid-19, which is still very prevalent in England and Northamptonshire in particular, we are doing everything we can to ensure that school is a clean, safe and welcoming place to be.

ASSESSMENT

Information will follow separately regarding our plans for observing and assessing the children during these first weeks and how we will be communicating with parents in order that we work together to ensure that the children make rapid progress in line with their potential.

COMMUNICATION

If at any point you need to contact your child's class teacher, please use the gmail addresses we set up during the period of partial closure. We have found this to be an excellent way for home and school to communicate. Teachers will respond as soon as they are able to but please note that emails sent at the weekend may not receive a response until the following week.

General enquiries should still be made via the admin@boughtonacademy.co.uk address.

Absences must be reported either via the email address above or by telephone: 01604 842322

We are all very excited to welcome the children back to school tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

Mary James
Head Teacher

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