

The Mead Infant and Nursery School

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Proud to Belong

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families have had a happy and restful summer break. We are looking forward to the children returning next week and I am hoping that they will bring the sunshine with them!

We are also looking forward to all of our new children joining the Mead family and extend a warm welcome to you all.

I hope that your children enjoyed the summer reading challenge, don't forget to send your child to school with a photo of them doing one of the reading challenges. I am looking forward to seeing them.

Return to school procedures

We are pleased that we have been able to return to an almost near normal and we have updated our risk assessment to reflect these changes. The following procedures will be in place, which are based on current Government guidance. If the guidance changes we will communicate any changes to you as soon as possible

Masks will no longer be required to be worn on site.

Children will not be in bubbles.

Children will resume eating their lunch in the Hall.

School trips and after school clubs will resume (details will follow).

Whole School face-to-face assemblies will resume.

We will be able to welcome parent volunteers back into school (details will follow).

The following system of controls will remain in place:

- Ensuring good hygiene for everyone- frequent and thorough handwashing with hand gel/soap, coughing into elbow, catch it, kill it, bin in approach. Staff will continue to wear PPE when administering first aid or caring for a child who is unwell.
- Regular cleaning of areas and equipment including frequently touched surfaces
- Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated (children may need to wear extra layers as the weather gets colder)
- Managing COVID symptoms – children and staff who present with COVID symptoms should not come to school and must take a PCR test. (Lateral flow tests are only to be used if your child is asymptomatic). If a child becomes unwell with COVID symptoms during the school day, they will be isolated and cared for by a member of staff until they are picked up from school. It is imperative that your child is picked up as soon as



possible. If your child tests positive for COVID, they must not attend school and must isolate for 10 days.

- Staff will continue to undertake twice weekly lateral flow testing
- Anyone who is double vaccinated or under the age of 18 will not need to isolate if they come into close contact with someone who has coronavirus and therefore will be able to continue to attend school. They must however have a PCR test.

Reminders

Drop off and Pick Up Times

If you have siblings please drop your Reception children off first

Year Group/Class	Drop Off	Location	Pick Up	Location
Rock Hoppers	9.00	Cudas Close side of the school (Nursery outdoor classroom)	12.00	Cuddington Avenue side of school
Emperors	9.00	Cudas Close side of the school(Nursery outdoor classroom)	3.00	Cudas Close side of the school(Nursery outdoor classroom)
Reception	8.50	Cudas Close side of the school(Nursery outdoor classroom)	2.50	Cudas Close side of the school(Nursery outdoor classroom)
Year 1	Between 8.50 and 9.00	Year 1 classroom doors accessed by the black gate next to the field	2.50	Year 1 class room doors accessed by the black gate next to the field
Year 2	Between 8.50 and 9.00	Doors by the school mosaic	3.00	Circles in the playground- please wait behind the green fence in the main playground

Please note that the school gates will be locked at 9.10am and 3.15pm

To ease congestion we have decided to keep the one way system into the Nursery and Reception pick up and drop off area. Therefore, the blue gate into the Nursery outdoor classroom will be entry only and parents will be expected to continue leave via the wooden gate next to the footpath.

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Climbing frame

We are happy for the children to use this, but please note that if your child plays on this before and after school it is your responsibility to monitor this and ensure that they are safe. Both sliding bars cannot be used at the moment as they are awaiting repair. If the weather is icy or very wet, we will place cones around the climbing frame to indicate that the climbing frame should not be used for safety reasons.

Scooters and Bikes

We love to see children scooting or cycling to school but please remember that once they are in the playground they must not cycle or scoot. The bike and scooter racks are behind the school near the year 1 classrooms.

PE days

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on PE days. During the colder months, children can wear grey tracksuit bottoms. Staff will also be wearing sports kits on the days they teach PE.

Reception will not need to do this just yet; your teachers will let you know in the coming up next week when this will start.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hedgehogs Bears	Monkeys	Squirrels Reception	Bears Badgers	Leopards Monkeys Badgers Squirrels Hedgehogs

I appreciate that there is lots of information to remember, but we will be in the playground to help you, so please just ask us if you are not sure.

I look forward to seeing you all next week. If you do have any questions before then please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kindest regards

Mrs Creasey

