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Dear Parent/ Carer,

Welcome back!

The children have had a brilliant first day back at school. Thank you for helping them to look so smart and for organising them to have all the necessary items they need.

We are now trying to phase back into normal routines at school as we all learning to manage the COVID situation. However, we will keep an eye on any updates and alert you of any changes if required over the next few months.

On Monday, we will have our first whole school face to face assembly in the school hall – we are all looking forward to this event.

**From next week Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September**, we will resume the normal (pre COVID) <u>end of the day</u> <u>time of 3:10pm for everyone</u>. This will also mean that the children can now go back to their full hour lunch break as classes no longer have to be in separate bubbles – we are now one large school 'bubble'. However, during the day we will still have separate playtimes for the older and the younger children as we found that this reduced the number of possible injuries at playtimes.

We will continue with the current separate gate entrances for different year groups as this has worked well for all the children. For Years, 1, 3 & 4 who enter via the Folly lane gate, we would ask you all to come in and wait in an assigned pick up area which will make it easier for your child and teacher to see you amongst the sea of faces.

Please can Y1 parents (Elm class) wait on the grass area outside the Year 1 classroom,

Y3 parents (Beech class), please wait on the top area of the playground (near the raised stage area)

**Y4 parents ( Oak class)**, please wait on the bottom area of the playground (near the high roped equipment). Mr Pickavance will take Y4 children outside via the left hall exit door.

All will exit via the field gate as before. There will be staff on the gate to guide you to the correct area.

If you have more than one child, please collect the youngest child first. The teacher will always wait with your child until you collect them. For Years 5 & 6 walkers, please send a letter/ email to the class teacher/ school office giving your permission for them to walk home from school.

Best wishes,

Mrs Christopher