

September 2021

Dear Grange Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a fantastic summer and had lots of fun during the holidays, we cannot wait to welcome you all back to school.

Here is some crucial **information for the new term starting this September:**

Start Date:

*First day of term for **children from Years 1-6** is Monday the **6th of September 2021**.

*Starting dates for children in **Nursery and Reception** will be **by individual invitation**. If you have not received your letter, please phone the office.

*******Drop off and Pick up – PLEASE NOTE CHANGES!!!! (this is to maximise learning time)**

Drop off and pick up times will be:

8:30am in the morning
3.15pm in the afternoon.

Time slots and entrances are allocated **according to year group**.

Please stick to the following time slots and entrances to avoid congestion.

Drop off time	Furness Road (gate)	Welbeck Road (field)	Pick up time	Furness Road (gate)	Welbeck Road (field)
8:30am	Years 1, 2, 4 & 5	Nursery AM, Reception, Years 3 & 6	11:30am		Nursery AM
12.15pm		Nursery PM	3:15pm	Years 1, 2, 4 & 5	Nursery PM, Reception, Years 3 & 6

Where there are **multiple children in a family** all children should be **dropped off** and **picked up** at the **entrance** allocated to the **oldest child**, e.g. if your children are in years 5 and 3, they should be dropped off at 8.30am and picked up at 3.15pm at the Furness Road Entrance.

When you arrive at school please form an **orderly queue** on the markers provided to **maintain social distance**. Members of staff will be waiting in marked locations to supervise the children once their individual parents and carers leave and from there, they will escort them to their classroom.

Parents and Carers please follow our indicated **one-way system to exit safely and maintain the flow**.

Parents and Carers Restricted access to School Building

Unfortunately for safety reasons, **parents and carers will still not be allowed to enter the school building unless by prior arrangement.** To enter the School office without an appointment, please ask Staff standing outside to direct you and **only one person/family may enter the office foyer at a time.**

Nursery and Reception parents and carers who are bringing their child into school for the first time **will receive separate details.**

Although Government guidelines no longer require wearing of face-coverings, we politely urge and request parents and carers to wear face-coverings (to keep us all safe) when coming onto school grounds but we will not enforce this.

Bubbles

Children will remain in their **class bubbles** throughout the day and will remain **separate from other bubbles at all times, including breaktimes and lunchtimes.**

Uniform

Pupils Must wear:

- Blue Grange logo cardigan or jumper
- White shirt, blouse or polo shirt (with or without logo)
- Grey or black trousers, skirt, dress – can be worn with grey, black or white socks, lights or leggings to the ankle (leggings are not allowed by themselves)
- Plain black, white or blue headscarf with no
- Black shoes or Black trainers



Pupils **MUST NOT** wear:

- Branded sports wear
- Fashion shoes or trainers
- Colourful hair accessories or scarves/hijabs.

Lunch

School lunches will consist of freshly made balanced meals which will be available for all children who are eligible for free lunches (Free School meals or in Reception to Year 2), or for children whose families wish to purchase a school meal. Alternatively, children may bring their own packed lunch (clearly labelled in disposable packaging) into school which should follow the school policy on packed lunches.

Water bottles

Water bottles should be brought into school but **must be named/labelled** so that they are not mixed up.

Reading books

Reading books will be changed once a week. When books are returned to school, they will be placed into a quarantine box for 72 hours before being reissued.

Handwashing

Regular handwashing **routines** will be part of our daily timetable. Most classrooms are equipped with basins and **additional handwashing facilities** have been installed around the school.

Toilets Limitations

We will ensure that **only one bubble at a time** use our toilet facilities.

Masks

Children who wear a mask to travel to school will be asked to remove this before they enter the school building. They may wear a different mask during the day if they wish (not provided by School) and may wear the transport mask upon leaving to go home.

The Curriculum

We are conscious that children have missed a lot of face-to-face learning in the past 18 months and so we will consciously strive to welcome back the children with warmth and compassion. We will be teaching all the subjects but we will plan carefully to help the children close gaps in the learning whilst making age-related progress. We have a powerful assessment tool that allows us to maximise learning so that we can go back and fill gaps and accelerate progress. **WE WILL RAISE OUTCOMES THROUGH ACCELERATED PROGRESS** wrapped in kindness and care. We want our children to learn well and to enjoy learning. We will work hard to help each child make good progress giving them a sense of growing confidence whilst nurturing their sense of consideration for others. This is our Grange CC way and our staff are so excited and positively looking forward to welcoming the children back. We continue with our 'Wellbeing Thermostat' to indicate to children where there is a risk to safety through their behaviour and will work through the power of relationships to bring restoration and progress when encountering distressed or difficult behaviour.

The Critical Principle for September:

Educate each of our children of Grange so that they achieve personal bests and make GOOD or BETTER progress. We will do this whilst constantly filling them with Confidence and Consideration to achieve these personal bests and make good or better progress.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Kerbel
Head Teacher