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September Opening

Term begins for Year 1 and 2 children on **Monday, 7th September 2020**

Reception children will start a phased transition in the week beginning **Monday, 7th September 2020**.

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will have heard the government announcement that schools will be open for all pupils from September 2020. We are very much looking forward to welcoming back all pupils in the new academic year. Senior leaders, staff and governors have followed the [government guidance, published on 2nd July 2020](#) to ensure the safety of our school community.

Each school is completely unique, and like other schools we have followed this guidance and have applied it to the context of our school, taking into account many factors such as the age and needs of our children, staffing, premises and outdoor spaces. In order to ensure everybody's safety, there are some key points which we all need to follow. We have created an online presentation and video which provides further information about school procedures and expectations from September onwards. We do ask that all families watch this video before returning to school. The presentation can be accessed using this link: <https://youtu.be/FVeqFtVJb8Y>

We understand that some of you and your children will naturally be anxious about returning in September, after some months out of school. Please be assured that we are taking exceptional measures to ensure that our school is as safe as it can be. Many of our Reception children returned to school on 15th June and as a staff, we have had an opportunity to implement and refine these procedures. We have been delighted to see how positively the children have responded and all of the children have made a successful transition back into school. The staff team here have worked exceptionally hard to ensure that children are safe, happy and well supported and we are all confident that your children will flourish when they return to school.

The final day of term is Friday, 17th July and our school will be closing for the summer holidays. However, if there are any changes to national guidance or the local situation, we will contact you by Friday, 4th September. We look forward to seeing all of you in September and do hope that you all have an enjoyable summer holiday.

Kind regards,

Adrian Bates-Holland
Head Teacher




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Drop Off and Collection Times

We have staggered our drop off and collection times to avoid large gatherings and children outside the school grounds. We do ask all families to ensure that they arrive on time and observe social distancing at all times whilst on the school grounds.

Please make a note of the new drop off and collection times for September. If you have more than one child in our school, you can drop off and collect your child at the classroom of your youngest child.

We are aware that many families have a child at Windmills Junior School. Both schools have agreed some flexibility for these families and request that you drop off the child with the earliest start time first.

Reception			Year 1			Year 2		
								
Reception families will enter the school through the main gate on Keymer Road and will follow a one-way path to exit through the car park onto Chancellor's Park.			Year 1 families will enter the school through the main gate on Keymer Road and will follow a one-way path to exit through the car park onto Chancellor's Park.			Year 2 families will enter the school through the blue gate on Keymer Road and will follow a one-way path to exit back onto Keymer Road. A strict one in, one out system will be followed.		
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Willow 8.55 – 2.55	Beech 9.00 – 3.00	Cherry 9.05 – 3.05	Ash 8.40 – 2.40	Chestnut 8.45 – 2.45	Apple 8.50 – 2.50	Elm 8.40 – 2.40	Oak 8.50 – 2.50	Holly 9.00 – 3.00

Class teachers and teaching assistants will be unable to speak to you on the door. However, if you do have an urgent message, do contact the school office who will ensure that this message is passed on to the class teacher.