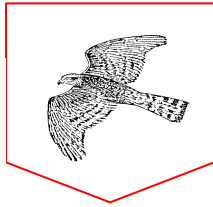


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Friday 18th September

Dear Parents,

It really does feel like we have all settled back into school life well now. The first week was tricky for us all I think, but once more the children have shown such resilience for managing the changes of our routines and rules in school. The weather certainly helps – the children have enjoyed eating their lunch outside with their TAs and the daily run they complete.

I seem to continually talk about how proud I am to be the Head teacher of this school – I am always bursting with pride, none so more than on Tuesday when I had a quiet walk around the school at approximately 10am – the children were all working hard in the classrooms, the staff were delivering interesting lessons that had hooked the children back in to learning, there was a strong feeling of enjoyment and happiness in the school – it was a wonderful moment. It almost felt like life had returned back to ‘normal’!

When Mr O’Brien and I put the new school routines together over the summer holiday we did err on the side of caution about drop off times. Thank you for being so prompt when arriving at school in the morning. I think we can all agree that the ‘drop off’ is exceptionally smooth. Now that the children have got used to the structure of the arrangements we are going to propose that we change the timings slightly so that all the children are in school, with clean hands before 9am, allowing them to get on with their lessons. We have reviewed the drop off times and our new suggested arrival times for school (starting from Monday) are on the reverse of this newsletter. If this causes anyone a problem drop us an email over the weekend to enquiries@hawkinge.kent.sch.uk and we will get back to you with an alternative plan!

We have received almost all of the purple, yellow and blue forms – thank you for sending them back. If you have not returned them yet please do so on Monday to ensure there is no further delay in ensuring all children are safe in school.

Over the week we have posted several updates on Facebook including an update about the After School Club run by Kent Play Clubs – if you have not managed to have a look please do so over the weekend.

Have a lovely weekend,

Please note – there are no changes to arrivals at school other than the timings.

Year group	Arrival time	Which gate to use coming into school
Pupils of Key workers from all year groups	8:30am	Pedestrian gate nearest to the kitchen, follow the spots up the car park and leave your child at the top of the car park with Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien
Y6 children who have passed their bike-ability and can now ride their bikes to school	8:30am	Children will enter the car park by the pedestrian gate at the far end of the car park. Please dismount your bike before entering the school premises. You must remember to wear your helmet and bring a bike lock with you.
Year 6	8:35am	Children will enter the car park by the pedestrian gate at the far end of the car park. We continue to ask that you leave your child at the gate.
Year 3	8:35am	Pedestrian gate nearest to the kitchen, follow the spots up the car park and leave your child at the top of the car park with Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien
Year 5	8:40am	Children will enter the car park by the pedestrian gate at the far end of the car park. We ask that you leave your child at the gate.
Year 4	8:40am	Pedestrian gate nearest to the kitchen, follow the spots up the car park and leave your child at the top of the car park with Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien
Year 2	8:45am	Pedestrian gate at the far end of the car park – please walk your child along the 'passage' dropping them off with Mr O'Brien or Miss Ward and then exit the car park by the double gates.
Year 1	8:45am	Pedestrian gate nearest to the kitchen, follow the spots up the car park and leave your child at the top of the car park with Miss Ward / Mr O'Brien
Reception	8:50am	Pedestrian gate nearest to the kitchen, follow the spots up the car park.