



# Howard Primary School

Friday 3rd September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: Arrangements for return to school in September

We hope you have had an enjoyable summer break, and we are looking forward to seeing children return to school on **Monday 6th September**.

## Covid Safe Measures

With children returning to school, we understand the importance of caution in order to keep our wider community safe whilst Covid cases remain high in the Croydon borough. Following meetings with the Directors of Public Health and Education for Croydon, we will be following their guidance to continue to keep our community as safe as possible when school reopens.

With this in mind, the following Covid-safe measures will still be in place:

- We will continue to sanitise hands on entry to the School
- We will continue to promote frequent handwashing and good hygiene habits
- Face masks will be optional on the school premises, however those that prefer to wear them are encouraged to do so. Parents entering the school site are strongly encouraged to wear face masks. This particularly applies to Reception parents please.
- We will continue to stagger entry and exit times to reduce the flow of children entering/exiting the building at any one time (see below for timings)

It is paramount that staff and families follow the government advice-if displaying any symptoms of COVID 19, they **must not** come into school and need to have a test.



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Our Risk Assessment has been updated on our website, and will be reviewed on a half-termly basis in order to keep our wider community as safe as possible.

## Class Entrance / Exit Times

Children will enter / exit via school entrances on Dering Place only. Please ensure your child arrives at school, and is collected, on time. The timings for each year group are as follows:

Who?	Where / When?	How?
Year 1	<b>Drop off:</b> Green Zone	<b>9.05am</b> (first week only then <b>8.55am</b> )
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrive at the main entrance gate</li><li>• Please queue up along the blue railings in front of the school building maintaining a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li><li>• For the first week, you will be able to accompany your child to the door that they will enter.</li><li>• <b><u>Please note:</u> Currently, parents are not permitted to enter the school building, without a prior appointment.</b></li></ul> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"></div>



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	<b>Pick up:</b> Green Zone	<b>3.05pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please arrive on time and wait along the blue railings in front of the school.</li> <li>Please collect your child from the school door they entered once the gates have been opened.</li> <li><b>Please leave the pick up area as soon as you have collected your child.</b></li> </ul>
Year 2	<b>Drop off:</b> Green Zone	<b>8.55am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arrive at the main entrance gate</li> <li>Please queue up by the Eldon Phab car park and the pavement in front of houses on Dering Place. Please maintain a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li> <li>Your child will be met by a member of staff and directed into the building.</li> <li><b><u>Please note:</u> Currently, parents are not permitted to enter the school building, without a prior appointment.</b></li> </ul>
	<b>Pick up:</b> Green Zone	<b>3.10pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please arrive on time and wait by the Eldon Phab car park and the pavement in front of houses on Dering Place. Please maintain a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li> <li>Please collect your child from the school door they entered once the gates have been opened.</li> </ul>



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Year 3	Drop off: Yellow Zone	8.45am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PLEASE NOTE A CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR YEAR 3 THIS YEAR</b></li> <li>Arrive at the gates by the blue container in front of the assembly hall</li> <li>Please queue up in front of the railings outside the old laundry school building maintaining a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li> <li>Your child will be met by a member of staff and directed to their classroom.</li> <li><b>Please note: Currently, parents are not permitted on to the school site without a prior appointment.</b></li> </ul>
	Pick up: Yellow Zone	3.20pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please arrive on time and wait in front of the railings outside the old laundry school building.</li> <li>Class teachers will be waiting to dismiss pupils individually from the gate by the blue container.</li> <li><b>Please leave the pick up area as soon as you have collected your child.</b></li> </ul>
Year 4	Drop off: Green zone	8.45am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>THIS WILL BE THE SAME ENTRANCE AS LAST YEAR (IN YEAR 3)</b></li> <li>Arrive at the main entrance gate</li> </ul>



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Year 5	Drop off: Blue Zone	8.45am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arrive at the main entrance gate</li> <li>Please queue up along the blue railings in front of the school building maintaining a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li> <li>Your child will be met by a member of staff and directed into the building via the gate to the left of the main entrance.</li> <li><b>Please note: Currently, parents are not permitted to enter the school building, without a prior appointment.</b></li> </ul>



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<p>Year 6</p>	<p><b>Drop off:</b> Blue Zone</p>	<p><b>8.45am</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrive at the small gate by the steps leading into the school</li> <li>• Please queue up in front of the railings outside the old laundry school building maintaining a safe distance in accordance with social distancing recommendations.</li> <li>• Your child will be met by a member of staff and directed to their classroom.</li> <li>• <b>Please note: Currently, parents are not permitted to enter the school building, without a prior appointment.</b></li> </ul> 



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Reception	<p>Please refer to separate information sent out in July in your welcome pack. If you have a sibling in another year group, sibling arrangements will be in place from the 20<sup>th</sup> September onwards.</p> <p>Please check the class blogs for regular updates. Link below.</p> <p><a href="https://www.howard.croydon.sch.uk/parent-info/new-reception-class-2020-2021/">https://www.howard.croydon.sch.uk/parent-info/new-reception-class-2020-2021/</a></p>		

**Please note that the Year 3 and Year 4 pick up and drop off points have changed from last year.**

**If you have more than 1 child attending school, we would appreciate it if you could collect all your children at the latest time appropriate. You will be able to collect each child from their relative classroom pick up points. We will review and adapt as the need arises.**

## PE

Children must wear their PE kit to school on the days that they have PE lessons, instead of bringing their PE kit to school. Your child's class teacher will let you which days PE kit will need to be worn. Please come to school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September in your normal school uniform.



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## **Building works taking place**

We currently have some ongoing building works that are affecting our Lower Playground and Barham Road entrance. We hope that these works will be completed very soon and are working hard to minimise the impact they may have on our childrens' first weeks back in school. We apologise for any inconvenience that they may cause.

## **Some dates for your Diary**

The week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> September we will be arranging a virtual 'Meet the Teacher' session for parents to meet their child's new class teacher. More details to follow.

## **Parents Evening**

Following feedback from parents and teachers, we will be continuing to deliver our Parents Evenings remotely this term via the School Cloud. More information will follow about this soon.

We look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 6th September.

Yours sincerely,

Governors and Senior Leadership Team

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