

6st September 2020

## Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your patience and supportive comments following our first day back on Friday. We are all working to see what the 'new normal' is going to actually look like so I appreciate you working with us during this time. After much feedback from you, the parents, and staff following the drop off and pick ups last week I have decided to completely overhaul the plan.

It is very important that children and adults crossing the A6 use the crossing with the crossing attendant for everyone's safety. Staff and Visitor vehicles are also constantly accessing the drive where the Visitor Entrance is so we want to avoid that as much as possible.

The safest way to have all children and parents accessing school is through the main gate or the gate from Vale Road. To this end we will now run a one way system down the drive.

We will move the mini bus and open the little side gate next to the kitchen. Cones will be put down the centre of the drive and we will have an entrance on the right and exit on the left of the drive. Parents and children will walk down the drive on the right then enter through the bottom gate. If they are coming from Vale area they can use the back gate and join at their allotted time. Children move to their class line and parents leave through the big playground gate and out of the exit on the drive.

We will stick to the timetable for arrival and pick up and I encourage you all to keep socially distanced and keep moving throughout. The only time there might be a slower flow of movement is when you are waiting for a sibling. We encourage you to leave the playground and wait in your car if possible, if not you can wait at the top of the playground near the play area. Children are not permitted to play on the playground whilst waiting for siblings.

Reception parents can use the same entrance and exit for their allotted time for drop off and pick up.

I have attached a map of how this might look. Each class now has a colour associated with them - Red Y6, Orange Y5, Yellow Y4, Green Y3, Blue Y2, Purple Y1, White R. Each teacher has a brolly to hold with the colour of the class to stop confusion.

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The school day will continue to start and end at different times for each year group. It is essential that parents are prompt to bring and collect children at the appropriate times to ensure there is no cross over. Parents are not permitted on the school premises unless by prearranged appointment. Parents can bring siblings at the same time so as to avoid waiting around.

DROP OFF AND COLLECTION			
TIME	TIME	CLASS	Where?
8.45	15.00	Year 3	Main Gate
8.45	15.00	Year 6	Main Gate
8.55	15.10	Year 1	Main Gate
8.55	15.10	Year 4	Main Gate
9.05	15.20	Year 2	Main Gate
9.05	15.20	Year 5	Main Gate

Teaching staff will be on the playground so that siblings can join their class line from 8.45 until their class is ready to go into school.

If you do wish to contact school at any point please phone 01524 65445 or email us contact-us@skertonstlukes.lancs.sch.uk

Many thanks for your continued support and please continue to look after yourselves and each other.

Yours sincerely

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## Please note changes to collection times. They are correct on previous page.

