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Dear Parents / Carers

Summer Update



As the end of the school year is drawing ever nearer, I wanted to give a small update on things that will be happening within our academy over the last 5 weeks.

Start and Finish Times – We are continuing to adapt our timings to best meet the needs of the children and classes. Please see below for your child's start and finish time. The new times will start on Monday 28th lune.

Year	Start Time	Finish Time
Nursery	9.00am	12.00pm
Reception	8.40am	3.05pm
Year I & 2	8.50am	3.10pm
Year 3, 4 & 5	8.50am	3.15pm
Year 6	8.35am	3.00pm

For these times to work we need all children to be at school on time and for everyone to follow the instructions below. We are aiming for children YI to 5 to be in the line for ten to NINE. We hope this will help parents and avoid long waiting times as much as possible within current guidelines. One way systems must be followed and face masks must be worn on the academy site.

Coming to school:

- Children arrive for their start time and maintain a social distance at all times.
- Children enter via either the pedestrian or the field gate by themselves where possible.
- Children to then go into their class line by themselves once on the playground.
- Parents to then leave the playground via the car park as usual. It is really important that parents do not wait on the playground as this will cause congestion on the playground and prevent other children being able to come into school.

Leaving school:

- Parents arrive for their child's finish time (latest time if more than one child) and maintain a social distance at all times.
- Parents enter via the pedestrian gate.
- Parents wait on a cone towards the exit they wish to take.
- Teachers will send the children to parents as they arrive.
- Parents to then leave the playground via the field or the car park gate.
- Again it is really important that parents do not wait longer than needed on the playground as this will cause congestion on the playground and prevent other parents being able to come into school to collect their children.

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Year 6 Leavers

Leavers Video – As we know saying goodbye to our wonderful Y6 is going to be different in school this year but we still want to make it special for our school community. We are going to record a short leaving video which we will share with all classes in school. We also would like to share them with parents on the google classroom. We will send you a message to let you know when they are ready to view.

Year 6 Leavers Party – We will be hosting an outdoor party for Y6 5.00pm – 6.30pm on Thursday 15th July (weather permitting) we hope all our Y6 class can make it. Please keep an eye out for a party invitation coming home soon.

Other Updates

Sport Week – Unfortunately due to our current risk assessment we will not be able to invite parents into school to watch sports day this half term. We will however be having a sports week in school where we will be doing lots of different sports activities e.g. class athletics competitions, a daily mile, rounders and football etc. We are also looking at raising money for charity with class/school challenges and we will keep you updated on this.

Gifts – If you would like to bring a thank you gift for your teacher then you can but there is no expectation for you to do so.

Road Safety – As you are aware we have been trying to raise awareness of the safety of the roads around school. As part of this we have invited the Mayor of Wakefield to judge our road safety poster competition. The posters will be judged on the 1st of July. The winning posters will be displayed around school to promote the children's voice about road safety and school gates parking. Children will be designing a poster at school but it would be great if we could have some home entries too!

ISS Theme Days - We will be enjoying a Best of British Theme Day on Thursday 8th July and on the 21st July we will be having a Picnic Paradise Theme Day. The menu choices will be sent out to parents shortly.

INSET DAYS - Just a reminder that Friday 23rd July and Monday 26th July are INSET Days. We break up for the Summer Holidays on Thursday 22nd July.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Lindsey Corbett Principal