



10TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Message from Mrs Moore

We are now approaching the end of our first full week back and I would like to commend all our pupils for their wonderful attitude towards learning, understanding the need for social distancing and the kindness they have shown toward their friends and staff members.

You may have seen myself and Mrs James out and about at the start and end of the school day, we would like to say a big thank you to all parents, carers and pupils for complying with the guidance regarding access to the school site. From Monday 14th September we have decided to amend the timings slightly, please see the table below. We would like to remind everyone that you **must use your allocated gate** when entering and exiting the school site and to avoid congestion, you should **not arrive more than 5 minutes** before your start or end time.

New school time effective from Monday 14th September

| Year Group | Start Time | End Time | Entrance to site | PE Day |
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| Siblings | 8.45 am | 3.05 pm | Front gate | See class day |
| Reception | 8.30 am | 2.50 pm | Front gate | Tuesday |
| Year 1 | 8.45 am | 3.05 pm | Front gate | Wednesday |
| Year 2 | 8.30 am | 2.50 pm | Front gate | Friday |
| Year 3 | 8.30 am | 2.50 pm | Back gate | Friday |
| Year 4 | 8.45 am | 3.05 pm | Back gate | Tuesday |
| Year 5 | 8.45 am | 3.05 pm | Back gate | Monday |
| Year 6 | 8.30 am | 2.50 pm | Back gate | Thursday |

Thank you for continued support in working with us to keep our pupils and staff safe.

New Government Guidance

As you will be aware the new regulations regarding size of gatherings, which come into force from Monday 14th September, state that **you must not meet with people from other households socially in groups of more than 6**. This will apply indoors and outdoors, including in private homes. To comply with these regulations we would ask that pupils avoid gathering in the play park before and after school.

Walk or cycle to school

Thank you to everyone who has taken up the challenge to walk or cycle to school, this has significantly reduced the traffic around the local area and is having a positive impact of pupils health and wellbeing.



Illness

As we join back together, and approach the winter illness season, pupils may feel unwell for example with a sore throat, stomach upset or a headache. These pupils **do not** need to book a Covid 19 test but may need to stay off school and seek medical advice through their GP or pharmacist as usual.

Please see the latest government guidance below regarding the process to follow for any suspected Covid 19 cases. If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home, along with any siblings, until you get the result.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms. If you require a test we recommend calling 119 to book and ask that you inform school of the time of your test and the result of your outcome.

You should continue to report any absence to the office by calling 01733 231008

Communication

To maintain social distancing and avoid unnecessary contact we would like to remind parents and carers that, whenever possible, all communication with school should be via the telephone on 01733 231008 or by email to office@ormistonmeadows.co.uk or your individual class email accounts e.g YR1@omgp.co.uk

Home Learning

In the case where a group or single pupil needs to self isolate, but remain well enough to continue learning at home, teaching staff will continue to provide learning through the use of the Marvellous Me app and the class email account.

To ensure you are prepared in case of isolation, please ensure you are able to access your Marvellous Me account and send a test email to your class teacher e.g YR3@omgp.co.uk

Menu for week commencing 14th July

Monday: BBQ Chicken Drumsticks

Tuesday: Cheese and Tomato or Pepperoni Pizza

Wednesday: Roast Dinner

Thursday: Tomato Pasta Bake

Friday: Chicken Goujons and Chips



Year 5

To avoid congestion at busy times and to keep walkway clear for other year groups, we would like to remind all Year 5 parents to wait on the grassed area opposite the Year 5 classroom. Alternatively, you may wish to wait for your child on the main path outside the school gate.

Members of staff will be present on the playground to support pupils.