



LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL

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5th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following Boris Johnson's announcement on Monday, we are delighted to confirm that we are expecting all of our pupils back on Monday 8th March. You have all done a fantastic job of supporting the children's learning during this lockdown but I am sure you are also looking forward to their return to school.

The risk assessments for pupils once they are on our site are already in place to minimize the risk of transmission of Covid-19. These include: regular handwashing, enhanced cleaning and staggered lunch and break times. Our risk assessment is on the website and is constantly being reviewed and updated.

Whilst the design of our building enables us to keep children in class and year group bubbles, we do have the problem of getting almost 400 children through 2 main gates each morning and afternoon. We must avoid large numbers of adults congregating outside the school gates and will endeavour to make drop off and collection arrangements smooth and with no necessity to wait around.

The Orchard/ Key Stage 1 (Infant Playground)

Drop Off

The gates in front of the Key Stage 1 playground will open at 8:45 am and close at 9:00 am and there will be an adult from each class available to welcome the children in. You can arrive at any time during this period.

Parents and carers of children in The Orchard only (Apples and Cherries) may exit the playground via the Holmesdale Road gate. This will reduce the number of people doubling back and crossing paths with other adults and children.

Collection

The KS1 gates will be open from 3:00 pm until 3:15 pm and the same "carousel" system used previously will be in place.

The Holmesdale Road gate will be open for The Orchard and Key Stage 1 to exit if they wish. The Holmesdale Road gate will close at 3:15pm.

Key Stage 2 (Junior Playground)

Drop Off

The gates in front of the Key Stage 2 playground will open at 8:45 am and close at 9:00 am and there will be an adult from each class available to welcome the children in. You can arrive at any time during this period.

Collection

The gates will be open from 3:15pm until 3:25 pm and the same "carousel" system used previously will be in place.



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If you are collecting from both playgrounds because you have children in different key stages, please arrive at the latest time. For example, if you have children in Year 2 and Year 4, please arrive at 3:15 and collect the Year 2 child first.

Please remember:

- Only one person should drop off and collect a child
- Masks need to be worn by the adult dropping off and collecting a child
- Do not arrive earlier than the gate opening times
- Do not park on school grounds or drive through and stop to let a child out of or into a car
- Please keep your children, including pre-schoolers, close to you until you have left the school grounds.
- The narrowness of the path to the Holmesdale Road gate means that we will only be using it for KS1 and The Orchard to exit at the moment.

All pupils will continue to arrive in PE kit on their PE days listed below.

Monday	Year 3
Tuesday	Year 5
Wednesday	Year 6
Thursday	Year 4 The Orchard
Friday	Year 2

Pupils in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will need to continue to bring a packed lunch each day.

Our aim is to keep all members of our community safe. We will, of course, be monitoring our arrival and departure arrangements closely and will keep you informed of any changes.

We look forward to seeing all the children on Monday 8th March.

Kind regards

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