



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! Firstly can I thank you on behalf of all staff for the lovely gifts and cards given at the end of the summer term, they were much appreciated.

The children have returned to school so well this week. It has been wonderful to see them settle back in so quickly. Thank you for sending them back so smartly.

Staff are working hard at developing routines and expectations after such a long time away from school. They are assessing children so that we can fill gaps and move learning forward as quickly as we can. Thanks to staff for their efforts and hard work in getting school ready for opening.

Data Forms

Thank you to those who have returned data forms. Well done to Y2 and Y6 with 100% on time returns! House point for you all! There are some outstanding which need to be returned on Monday.

School Office

Please avoid the school office unless absolutely necessary. Please email the school office if you have a query.

enquiries@stjosephs.npcat.org.uk

Staggered starts and finishes

Thank you for your patience this week, I have spent a lot of time reviewing what has and hasn't worked. Government guidelines are very detailed and schools must adhere to them. I am really glad that we have parents back on the school site to drop children off and to collect them but it is vital that all parents follow our arrangements and Government social distancing rules.

I have reviewed start and pick up times. I have also sent these via Marvellous Me. Please do not arrive on site before your set time as the school site does not enable large groups to queue. If you have children in more than 1 class, you can drop them off at the earliest time indicated below. I would also advise the wearing of face coverings by parents at these times. From Monday, there will be a clear one way system in

operation for all parents which must be adhered to. Apart from Y1 and Y2, all children should enter the school site via the gate near our school garage. The FS gate will be used for leaving the site only. This will prevent the bottle neck near our FS entry.

Year Group	Drop Off Time	Collection Time	Where
Little Joeys	8.50	11.35	Gate near garage
FS1	8.50	11.35	Gate near garage
FS2	8.50	3.00	Gate near garage
Y1	8.35	3.05	Y1 gate
Y2	8.45	3.15	Y1 gate
Y3	8.35	3.05	Gate near garage
Y4	8.40	3.10	Gate near garage
Y5	8.45	3.15	Gate near garage
Y6	8.30	3.00	Gate near garage

These new arrangements will start on Monday 7th September.

I appreciate that school routines are a little different and are likely to be for the foreseeable future. I will constantly monitor our school arrangements so that all children, staff and parents are kept safe. To ensure that we continue to be able to have parents on the school site, we need everyone to support these arrangements.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs A G Toward