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Arrangements for full opening of school – Tuesday 8th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are all very much looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday after what has been a challenging year for everyone with the pandemic and I just wanted to send out this letter ahead of the start of the new academic year.

I am very much looking forward to being the Head Teacher at Dishforth C of E Primary School this year as well as here at Dishforth Airfield. The two schools have many strengths and shared priorities which will enable us to work closely together in order to benefit the children and the staff.

I will be in each school every day as follows:

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield
Afternoon	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary

The Government released updated guidance last week and we have been working through this in order to ensure we are meeting the requirements.

The guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>



Attendance

From September, attendance is compulsory for children of school age. All children must attend unless a statutory reason applies, for example, they are unwell, the pupil has been granted leave of absence or is absent for a necessary religious observance.

Uniform

All children are to wear their school uniform every day from the 8th September. Children are to wear school shoes with their school uniform – not trainers.

Please bring PE kits into school in a separate named bag. **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD HAS THEIR PE KIT IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY WITH A PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRT, NAVY / BLACK SHORTS AND TRAINERS.** As the weather turns colder, a plain navy or black tracksuit can be worn and I would also recommend a lightweight waterproof jacket. PE can take place in most weathers outside if children have the correct clothing!

Children **should not** bring any other bags to school unless they are having a packed lunch.

Staggered school day times

The Local Authority have provided all North Yorkshire schools with a risk assessment to complete. As a school we have worked through this and put the following measures in place to ensure the safety of all children, staff, parents and carers.

Please note the following measures are in place and need strictly adhering to:

- **Only one parent to drop off and pick up at the designated time. Please ensure that children are dropped off promptly – to ensure social distancing can take place, it is really important that children do not arrive before or after their allocated time. Parents of children in Y1-Y6 are to drop children off at the playground their teacher. Children in EYFS are to be taken to the EYFS unit by a parent.**
- **Where possible walk or cycle to school.**
- **Any need to speak to office staff please telephone – do not come into the school building**
- **Parents to adhere to social distancing between themselves – please leave the school grounds once the children have been dropped off.**
- **If your child is unwell do not send them to school.**
- **If you or your child displays symptoms of coronavirus please do not come to school but inform us of the symptoms and arrange to have a test. Please inform school of the outcome.**

Following guidance, we are continuing with a staggered start and finish to the school day – please see the timetable below. Parents are to drop off and collect their child from the classroom as indicated:



Year group	Location	Start and finish times
Nursery – (FS1) *	EYFS unit	8.45am – 2.45pm – Nursery children – an additional 30 minutes can be paid for through Parent Pay.
Reception (FS2)	EYFS unit	8.45am – 3.15pm – Reception children
Year 1 and 2	School playground	8.45am – 3.15pm
Year 3 and 4	School playground	8.35am – 3.05pm
Year 5 and 6	School playground	8.35am – 3.05pm

Nursery sessions: if your child attends a morning session only then this is from 8.45am – 11.45am
 If your child attends an afternoon session only then this is from 11.45am- 2.45pm
 All day session 8.45am – 2.45pm

Siblings

If you have more than one child attending the school then please note the following: where there are siblings in different year groups, Parents should **drop off and collect all children at the agreed time for the earlier child.**

Dandelions Wrap around Childcare

Dandelions Breakfast and After School is open. If you require childcare before and / or after school please ensure you book this by phoning the School Office at least 24 hours in advance.

Autumn Term Lunch Menu

Our school cook, Mrs Crabtree, is onsite every day to cook fresh meals for the children. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a universal free school meal. Children in Years 3-6 can order a meal when they are in school and this will be charged to their Parentpay account or they can bring a packed lunch into school. The summer term menu is on the school website.

We are looking forward to seeing your child/ren in school on Tuesday 8th September. If you do have any questions then please email admin@dishforthairfield.n-yorks.sch.uk.

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon

Head Teacher

