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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR EVERYONE
PLEASE READ

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone for their co-operation during the first weeks of the new term. I would also like to thank the children for the way they have responded to the return to school arrangements. The circumstances have been challenging and 'strange' for everyone. Although the general day to day arrangements have run comparatively smoothly, with all pupils returning from Monday September 14th onwards, I would like to draw your attention to some important matters in our efforts to keep everyone as safe as is possible.

Arriving / Leaving school / Parking – You will be aware that we have made changes to the daily timetable. One of the main reasons for this was to reduce the number of parents/carers arriving and leaving the school site at the same time and to help with the situation regarding traffic. Please can all parents/carers ensure that you do not arrive to school any more than **five minutes before the start time and finishing times** for your child's daily session. I have included the session times below. These have previously been shared with you.

8.55 – KS2 START (Years 3/4/5/6)
9.15 – Reception / Year 1 / Year 2 START
3.00 – KS2 FINISH (Years 3/4/5/6)
2.45 – Reception / Year 1 / Year 2 FINISH

All parents/carers are asked to leave the school site promptly after dropping off in the morning and after collecting your child in the afternoon.

Collection from the school yard – You should by now be familiar with the arrangements for collecting your child from the school yard at the end of the school day. For safety reasons, and in our efforts to minimise risks and reduce numbers on the yard during this busy time, may I remind parents and carers to ensure that **only ONE adult comes to collect the child from the school yard**. Once again, please ensure that you leave the yard promptly, once you have collected your child, following the one-way system. Please make every effort to ensure that your child stays with you following hand over from the class teacher, and that he/she avoids playing with other children on the school yard, especially if from different year group bubbles.

Please respect social distancing rules, by keeping a safe distance from others when collecting their child.

Hand sanitisers – We do have hand sanitising facilities in school. If your child wishes to bring his/her own sanitising liquid, then he/she may do this, However, we ask the children not to share this with other pupils.

Illness/Symptoms – If your child is unwell, or is displaying Covid-19 symptoms, then please do not send him/her to school. He/She should stay at home until he/she feels better. If your child or any other member of the family is displaying Covid-19 symptoms, then arrangements should be made for a test. Please inform the school if you have been required to do this.

Distance Learning – During the lockdown period the children made use of their individual HWB on-line learning platform to support them with learning from home. Your child will continue to make use of the resource and there will be occasions when the class teacher will ask your child to complete a homework task through the use of Google classrooms which is accessed through the HWB account. As we continue to be in a fragile and uncertain time regarding the Covid-19 virus, we need to be ready and prepared for a situation where the school may need to be closed due to an identified case within a particular age group. If we are faced with such a situation, the class teacher will co-ordinate the learning through the child's HWB account. The teachers have been familiarising the children with their HWB account in class and therefore it is hoped that they will be able to make use of their HWB account from home, if we are faced with such a situation.

School dinners – School dinners are available and are served in the school hall with staggered times for different age groups. There is currently a reduced menu, copy attached, with Week 1 starting on Monday 14/9/20. Payment of school dinners will need to be done through the online payment system. If you require your child's reference number to use the online payment system, please e-mail the school office at mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk

Communication – The school website, Schoop, the school app, and the school's Twitter account is currently the main sources of communicating with you as parents/carers. Therefore, please ensure that these are regularly checked.

It will be much appreciated if all parents/carers ensure that any other adults who may be collecting the children from school are made aware of the above information. Once again, I would like to remind you to please contact your child's class teacher through their direct e-mail address if you have any questions about the activities and your child's work, or contact the office at mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk for general enquiries.

Thank you for your continued co-operation and support.

Yours sincerely,

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