



10th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back!

It has been wonderful to see all of the children, listen to their stories and hear them laugh. They have done you all proud in the way they have conducted themselves and shown great resilience in these ever changing times. They have really settled back in well.

I would also like to extend a big thank you for your cooperation this week. It has not gone unnoticed. As you know we have been constantly reviewing the situation and again, to ensure we can safely exit the building, we have made some changes to collection points for Year 5 and Siblings. **You will be notified of sibling collection points via Parentmail.**

Year Group	Start	Finish	Drop off point	Collection point
Nursery	9.00	2.55	Nursery entrance	Nursery entrance
Yr Rec/1/2	8.40-8.50	2.40-2.50	Foundation Phase entrance	Foundation Phase entrance
Yr 3/4	8.40-8.50	3.00-3.10	KS2 entrance - driveway	KS2 entrance - driveway
Yr 5	8.30	3.00	KS2 entrance - driveway	KS2 entrance - driveway (Yr 5 do not have to be collected)
SIBLINGS	Can arrive at the earliest sibling time	3.10	Earliest sibling entrance	As per the information on your individual parentmails

THESE CHANGES WILL TAKE PLACE FROM FRIDAY 11TH SEPT.

If you have formed a 'family bubble' and will be collecting other children with your own, could you please let us know for 'track, trace and protect' purposes. Should anyone in your 'bubble' have to self-isolate, all of the children and adults in the 'family bubble' will need to follow this procedure, even if they do not live in the same household.

I am acutely aware that you have not been able to see or communicate with your child's class teachers. For the foreseeable future, communication will be via email or telephone. Your child's class teacher and email address can be found below:



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Ducklings: kimberly.locke@tcs.cymru

Tigers: Miss James – laura.james@tcs.cymru

Cubs: Miss Muirhead – helen.muirhead@tcs.cymru

Lions: Miss Marshall – stacey.marshall@tcs.cymru

Bees: Mrs Emanuel – helen.emanuel@tcs.cymru

Crocs: Mrs Durham – rhian.durham@tcs.cymru

Butterflies: Mrs Chandler – stacy.chandler@tcs.cymru

Dolphins: Mrs Rees – ceinwen.rees@tcs.cymru

Due to full time teaching commitments, the teachers will be unable to speak with you or respond to emails throughout the day. They will get back to you as soon as possible.

From next week, alternate members of staff will be dismissing the children. This is for you to put a face to the name. Our priority will still be to dismiss the children as safely and quickly as possible and unfortunately, you will be unable to stop to ask questions to the teacher.

If you are sending someone different to collect your child, then please ensure that you have set up a password and that this person knows it. If we do not have a password, you will be contacted to gain permission to let your child go. Please contact emma.richards@tcs.cymru if you would like to update your password details.

We pride ourselves on being a healthy school. As such, we will be outdoors as often as we can so all children will require a warm, waterproof coat on a daily basis. Snacks, which are eaten at break time, should only consist of fruit or vegetables.

This academic year is going to be very different to what we all know. I suspect that I will need to make contact with you on a more regular basis. The school's preferred method of communication is Parent mail. I urge you all to ensure that you are signed up and check for updates. If you are experiencing any difficulties, then please contact emma.richards@tcs.cymru

Kindest Regards,
Mrs K Locke
Head of Lower School