



Heathlands Primary Academy

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RE: March opening, Information for parents

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you at the end of a busy first week back after lockdown. It has been wonderful to see all the children's smiling faces back in school. The hustle and bustle of daily school life has been happily welcomed by all of the staff at Heathlands.

As ever; we continuously strive to improve our routines and procedures to ensure that all members of our school community are as safe as we can make them.

You will be aware that, this week, we changed the 'drop off' and 'pick up' windows to 5-minute windows rather than the 10 minutes that we had between September and Christmas.

Whilst this change has meant that getting the children in to school has been quicker there has been an impact on social distancing in the playground and has led to problems with parking at both entrances to the school site. These are challenges that we did not face between September and Christmas.

In order to begin to remedy these issues we are going to revert back to the 10-minute windows and timings that we had for pick up and drop off in the Autumn term.

This will begin from next Monday 22nd March 2021

Can we also remind you of the following expectations that we have for all members of our school community:

- If you are a blue badge holder can you please ensure that the entrance to the school is clear of children before leaving the site. Please also arrive before 3pm.
- Parents and children using the Heathway entrance must use the path and not cut through the car park.
- If you **do not** hold a blue badge you must not be using the school car park. This also applies to breakfast club where some parents have been coming in when the gates are open.
- Please **do not** send in treats/sweets/snacks for birthdays; these will now not be permitted until further notice.

Please see a reminder of the staggered drop off and pick up times below. Please take note of the original times and 10-minute windows. (Years 3 and 6 will be picked up at 3:15 rather than 3:20)

University of Wolverhampton Multi Academy Trust, Room WA109, Jerome K Jerome Building, Walsall Campus,
Gorway Road, Walsall, WS1 3BD
Companies House: 08255492

From the week commencing Monday 22nd March

Year Group	Drop off	Location	School entrance	Pick up	Location	School entrance
Nursery AM	8:30am	Smiley Club Door	Heathway	11:30am	Smiley Club Door	Heathway
Nursery PM	12:20pm	Smiley Club Door	Heathway	3:10pm – 3:20pm	Smiley Club Door	Heathway
Nursery Full time	8:30am	Smiley Club Door	Heathway	3:10pm – 3:20pm	Smiley Club Door	Heathway
Reception	8:50 – 8:50am	Door used in Autumn	Heathway	3:00pm	Door used in Autumn	Heathway
1	8:40 – 8:50am	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway	3:00pm	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway
2	8:50 – 9:00am	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway	3:10pm	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway
3	9:00 – 9:10am	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway	3:15pm	Blue gate by kitchen	Heathway
4	8:40 – 8:50am	Year 3/4 doors	Ashville Avenue	3:00pm	Year 3/4 doors	Ashville Avenue
5	8:50 – 9:00am	Year 5/6 doors	Ashville Avenue	3:10pm	Year 5/6 doors	Ashville Avenue
6	9:00 – 9:10am	Year 5/6 doors	Ashville Avenue	3:15pm	Year 5/6 doors	Ashville Avenue

NB: We ask that you do not loiter on site in order to minimise risk to yourselves and others. We request that you do not enter the school building for any reason. Also please do not use this as an opportunity for socialising with other families - the government rules on outdoor and household mixing apply on site.

Mr P Higgins (Headteacher)

