



Before we return in September, we would like to update you on a few areas for the first day / week. This letter should be read alongside Mr James' letter.

### **Key Workers**

As you may be aware Mrs Mallam will now be working in the office during the mornings, as a result we have reorganised the Key Worker groups as follows:

Nursery

Blue Group: Key Worker - Mr Barnbrook-McKay  
Mila, Dougie, Annikka, Roman, Elliot & Hudson

Green Group: Key Workers - Mrs Ford (am) / Mrs Mallam (pm)  
Hugo, Charlie, Niklaus, Charlotte, Luis & Orla

Reception: Key worker is Miss Dring supported by Miss Heap and Mrs Watson.

### **First day: Staggered Start Times**

On the first day each year we always stagger the Nursery start time to support the transition to a new setting. Please see the times outlined below. If this is a problem please e-mail Mr Barnbrook-McKay (mckay@redhouseschool.co.uk) and we will make alternate arrangements.

Please note that due to social distancing restrictions adults will not be allowed into school, one of the EYFS team will collect your child from the yard.

Thursday 3 September

8.30am (Existing Nursery): Annikka, Mila, Charlotte & Dougie

8.50am (New Nursey – with siblings): Luis, Hudson & Orla

9.10am (New Nursery – without siblings): Roman & Hugo

Starting later in the week: (Please arrive at 8.30am)

Friday 4 September: Elliot & Charlie

Monday 7 September: Niklaus

From Friday 4 September all pupils should arrive for 8.30am and Reception children should arrive for 8.35am

### **Pick Up Times**

Nursery children not staying for lunch: 11.45am

Nursery children staying for lunch but not the afternoon session: 12.30 pm

Nursery children staying all day: 3.15pm

Reception children: 3.25pm

Please ring the bell then wait on the yard for the door to be answered. If an alternative adult is collecting your child, they must have the appropriate password.

## **Uniform**

Children will be back in full uniform. Please contact the uniform shop for any outstanding orders. Can children come to Nursery in PE kit on PE days (we will inform you of these days once we return). We ask children to bring in spare pants and socks/tights, we have an adequate stock of spare clothes should a child require a full change, please do not send spare kit. If your child is still wearing pull ups please hand a suitable supply, enough for the week, to the member of staff on the first day. Please ensure all items are clearly named.

## **Equipment**

Can we ask that children bring a water bottle in on the first day; this will be sterilised and kept in school. PE bags containing spare underwear can be brought into school and left, empty book bags should be brought in on a Monday and will be sent home on Friday with any completed work or home activities. Sadly, the children cannot bring toys in from home.

## **Home/School Contact**

As we are restricting what we send home, we have suspended the use of home contact books, rather we will contact via e-mail. Please ensure the office has the correct e-mail address. Any concerns can be e-mailed to Mr Barnbrook-McKay or Miss Dring (dring@redhouseschool.co.uk).

## **Medical Updates**

We are required to look at medical health books for any new pupil (Red Health Books). These can be brought into school on the first day and it will be returned the following Monday. Please ensure Mrs Bellerby is aware of any food allergies/restriction and medical issues before term starts.

## **Lunches/Snacks**

School will be providing a deli style lunch and snack; can you please inform Mr Barnbrook-McKay or Miss Dring of your child's sandwich choices via e-mail. In Early Years we find sticking to a set choice each day helpful (filling choices are ham, tuna or cheese).

## **Curriculum**

Our topics are as follows:

- Nursery: Ourselves
- Reception: Journeys and transport.

Looking at books at home linked to these areas is always helpful. We will let you know each week what the specific focus has been. Homework has also been adapted to avoid items being sent home. We will still support reading using Rising Stars online library and some additional optional activities will be sent via e-mail. Reception will also have weekly key words to learn; these again will be e-mailed. Observations will be shared weekly. Please note that the system has been renamed to 'Evidence Me'; please inform a member of staff if you are not receiving these.

We hope this helps with any questions you may have had. Any further questions please e-mail us directly.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ian Barnbrook-McKay & Miss Rachel Dring