

Kellington Primary School



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Good Morning, I do hope you have all managed, despite everything, to have a good summer. I thought it would be good to write to you, as I appreciate that tomorrow is a very big day for all of us. At last, after over 5 months, we are able to welcome all the children of Kellington Primary School into school. We are all really excited and have been working hard to prepare school ready for this very special start of term.



We will be without the children from last year's Year 6 and we wish them well as they move onto high school. We know each and everyone of them will be amazing. We do have quite a few children starting Kellington Primary School for the first time. They will be joining us in Nursery, Reception and across the school. We are excited that they are joining us and we welcome them to our school.

Changes due to the current situation

In order to keep everyone safe there will be changes within school and these were outlined in the letter I shared with you. There are copies of all the documentation I shared with you on our website and we would be very grateful if you could remind your children and yourselves of the changes before school starts tomorrow. We will of course spend a lot of time this week supporting the children to adapt to the changes. We were amazed in the summer term at how quickly the children who were in school adapted to the new regime. It is really important that we all follow the rules in order to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Start and finish times are slightly different and I have added them again below. It is really important that you do not arrive too early to drop off or pick up your child as we are trying to avoid congestion on the playground. Obviously there will be some parents who need to find a space to wait on the playground safely, if they have children in different classes to drop off and collect at the given time. We have created a one way system to keep the flow of people moving and we do ask you to maintain social distancing from other families at all times when on the school premises (There are stars on the playground and footpaths to help with this).

Please can only one adult come onto the school premises with your child/children. This will really help things avoid congestion.

There will be staff available to guide and support you during the first few days as we know it will take a little while to get it right and we may need to tweak things if it doesn't all go as well and smoothly as we have planned.

	Sunflowers Nursery	Daffodils Reception/Yr1	Roses Year 1/2	Tulips Year 3/4	Lilies Year 5/6
Start of the day	8.45 Via the playground-one way system	8.45 Via the car park	8.45 via the main entrance	8.55 Via the playground-one way system	9.00 Via the playground-one way system
End of the day	11.45 Via the playground	15.15 Via the car park	15.15 via the main entrance	15.20 Via the playground-one way system	15.30 Via the playground-one way system

Unfortunately our school office is not open to visitors. If you have any questions or queries please telephone or email. Also in order to keep the flow of people moving at drop off and collection it will be difficult for class teachers to talk to parents. Please do either email or telephone if you need to speak to your child's class teacher or myself and we can arrange that for you..

Please do remember that we are asking children to bring the minimum to school, **coat, water bottle (named please), packed lunch (if not having a school dinner) outdoor PE kit and reading book (in a plastic wallet that we can provide)**. Please can any reading books that you may have at home be returned ASAP. We will start sending reading books home W/C 14th September. **Please** label all items of clothing and personal possessions, including PE kit as it makes it so much easier to ensure your child comes home with what they brought to school. Trust me, even our older children struggle to recognise what is theirs.

Despite all the changes and limitations we are so, so happy to have all the children back in school and we have an exciting term planned.

School starting dates

All children in **Years 1-6** start school on **Tuesday 8th September.**

Children in nursery who have previously attended nursery start school on **Tuesday 8th September.**

Children who are starting Reception and previously attended our Nursery start on **Wednesday 9th September.**

All other Reception and Nursery new starters have been given their date to start school.

Staff Update.

Despite not being able to have the wedding she planned Miss Beadnell did get married during the holidays and we welcome her back as Mrs Beadnell-Bevan.

We also welcome Miss Jenny Rowley as our teacher in Lillies Class and we welcome Mr George Guest as a trainee teacher with the Star Teaching School Alliance and who will be working with us in school throughout the year, predominantly in KS1.



PTA

The PTA have booked a day for a collection for '**Bags for School**'- **24th September 2020**. They will be sending bags home very shortly for you to fill. Kilograms mean pounds for school, we do look forward to receiving your donations and we will let you know when these can be brought to school .

Parent Governor

We do have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. We would be very grateful for anyone who would like to consider this important and valuable role in supporting the management and development of our school, **to step forward**. I am more than happy to have an informal, non-committal chat with anyone who may be interested in the role. You are also able to contact helen.Groot@york.gov.uk, our Clerk of Governors, who would be delighted to share more information about the role with you and the process of election.

Food Vouchers- We do totally understand that this time has been tough financially for many people. **Please**, if anyone is struggling and a Selby foodbank voucher would help you, do get in

touch. All correspondence will be treated in the strictest confidence and vouchers can be delivered safely and discreetly. (admin@kp.starmat.uk). We will be in and out of school over the holiday period, so please do email if you need one and we can arrange getting one to you. We would hate for anyone to be struggling.

If your circumstances have changed recently and you feel you may now be entitled to free school meals, it is important you apply for them. Please contact the school to discuss the procedure. Whether you are in Reception right through to Year 6, it is important you register if you believe you are eligible for Free School meals. The funding not only provides a free meal for your child but it can also support you with other expenses related to school.

Please note - Next year one of our inset days has to unfortunately change. School will now be open on **Monday 12th April 2021**, however we will be closed on **Monday 7th June 2021**.

The start of every new school year is both exciting and a little daunting. I know many of your children and maybe yourselves are slightly anxious, especially due to the current situation we are in and school being closed for many for so long . I am sure many of my staff, like me, are anxious as well as excited, as it is always a big event coming back after a normal summer break. But let me assure you 'Team Kellington are ready and raring to go and we look forward to an exciting and successful year ahead. I know it won't be without its challenges however after last year, I think we know we can 'weather any storm'.

Unfortunately, due to the bereavement of a close family member I will not be in school on Tuesday 8th September. I am really sorry, however I leave you in the capable hands of Mrs Beadnell- Bevan and Mrs Hesp who will be taking the lead to ensure everything runs smoothly and should I not make it back to school for the end of the school day, I look forward to seeing you all as you arrive on Wednesday 9th September.

Kind regards Helen Humphrys Headteacher.

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