

Woodmansey CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last night, like me, I am sure you listened to the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, as he declared his 'roadmap' out of lockdown. Relief and joy were felt when he announced that schools could re-open fully to all pupils on Monday 8th March. It feels such a long time since all the voices and characters of all the children were felt around the school.

There will be further information and reminders in the March newsletter, published at the beginning of next week but a letter written last night, by the Secretary of State for Education outlines the importance of maintaining the rigorous Covid secure regimes which we have had in place since June. This means that those returning to us on Monday 8th March will find the systems exactly as they were before the Christmas break.

As much as this feels a cause for celebration, we must not let our guard down. We know that the vaccine roll out is moving forward, and we are so thankful for the wonderful volunteers and NHS staff who are driving it forward, but we know Covid-19 is still very much around. The key messages remain; good ventilation, social distancing, face coverings and hand hygiene. As you will know we did have to close a bubble last half term, but thanks to the careful following of these procedures, the virus did not spread around the school. I cannot thank the staff, children and all of you for making that the case.

With the above in mind, the staggered drop off and collection times will remain as they are now:

Nursery and the Foundation Year: 8.30am – 3pm

Year 1 and Year 2: 8.35am – 3.05pm

Year 3 and Year 4: 8.40am – 3.10pm

Year 5 and Year 6: 8.45am – 3.15pm

I hope the above will be a comfort to all in our community. Like the rest of the country, we look forward to being able to take the first small steps in bringing back the most loved aspects of school life and eventually bringing the bubbles back together and re-joining as one. But for now, having everyone back in the building is the news which we all wanted.

Finally, I want to thank all of you, the children and the Woodmansey team. Again, you have all been asked to work in circumstances which are demanding, worrying and unfamiliar, but your commitment to the school has been unwavering. I once again feel very thankful that my own journey brought me to Woodmansey, and I have the opportunity to work with families who share the same family values and a team of people who only want the best for the children in their care.

You have all created what felt like the impossible and that is something we must all be proud of.

I truly cannot wait to welcome you all back on Monday 8th March but for now, look after each other, and do take care,

Best wishes,

Mrs. B Nicholls
Head of School

