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Dear Parents/ Carers

Following the Government announcement for all children to return to school, please find below details of their return on Monday 8 March 2021.

Please note this letter applies to children in Years 1-6.

If you have a child in EYFS or who attends school part-time you will receive a separate letter.

The start and finish times will be as follows:

Start Time	Year Groups	Finish Time
8.30 am	Yr 6, Yr 4 & Yr 3	2.50 pm
8.40 am	Yr 5, Yr 2 and Bluebells	3.00 pm
8.45 am	Yr 1 and Buttercups	3.05 pm
8.55 am	EYFS (F1 & F2)	3.15 pm

- As it was in the Autumn Term, if you have more than one child please drop off all children at the earliest time and pick up all children at the latest time shown above.
- The same arrangements will be in place for drop-off and pick-up. Years 5 & 6 and Bluebells should use the Chippenham Road entrance and all other year groups should use the Hillington Rise entrance and walk round the playground. There will be no access through the school site.
- **Social distancing must be maintained at all times whilst dropping off and waiting to collect your child, please ensure adequate spacing between you and other parents/carers whilst waiting and please keep your child/ren with you at all times. We appreciate your patience when queuing and ask you to wait in the area outside the playground on Hillington Rise if you arrive before your drop-off or pick-up time.**
- We will still be offering an early drop-off facility for children who have previously used it or were on our Breakfast Club register. If you still require this facility going forward please can you confirm by replying to this e-mail so that we can ensure we have staff in classes at 8.00 am. This will continue to be at no cost but no breakfast will be provided.
- Bagels will be available for all children at the start of the school day within the class pods.
- School uniform should be worn but please be aware that children will still not be getting changed for PE and we will be using outdoor space as much as possible so your child may wish to wear suitable trousers

such as plain, dark coloured jogging bottoms, shorts or leggings. We would also suggest that trainers rather than shoes or sandals would be the most appropriate footwear.

- Children will be taught in their class pods for the majority of the time. At lunchtime and playtimes we will be sharing space within year group pods. School dinners will be served to year group pods at different times in the school halls and children with packed lunches will eat together in their classrooms as a year group. There will be some small group teaching within year groups to support catch-up for children.
- Menus will be available on the school website or from the School Office. Please note that we are on Week 2 of the current menu from 8 March. A new menu will be circulated in the next few weeks.
- The bicycle shed will not be open so there will not be anywhere on site for your child to store a scooter or bicycle. Please ensure that they either do not bring these or that the parent/carer takes them home.
- Children do not need PE bags or any other extra equipment in school with them. They should only bring a book bag, named water bottle, packed lunch (if required) and a coat or sunhat and suncream (when required).
- Children will not be permitted to wear face masks in school as the Government advice states these are not required in school environments.
- There will be additional points for children to understand in our behaviour policy, eg following requests around hygiene measures etc.
- We will have regular PSHE sessions to support every child's emotional wellbeing.
- Parents/carers should only be on school site when dropping off or picking up their children. The school office is open during the school day but can only be accessed from Chippenham Road. If you need to speak to school staff, including in an emergency, please contact us by phone or email wherever possible.
- **Attendance at school from 8 March 2021 is compulsory and so we expect all children to return on that date.** However, we still need to be vigilant regarding transmission of the virus so would ask you to keep your children at home if they are displaying any of the Covid-19 symptoms and book a test for them as soon as possible. Please inform the School Office if your child is absent for any reason including if they are having to self-isolate due to contact with someone who has tested positive. If your child displays any symptoms whilst in school we will contact you and ask you to collect them as soon as possible.

We thank you for your support in ensuring the above when your child returns to school. If you have any questions, please contact us via phone or email and we will do our best to clarify things for you.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Many thanks

Ms Sheppard

Head Teacher