



Dunston Hill

Community Primary School

Thursday 10 September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Our one-way system and staggered starts are working really well across the school and we really appreciate all the parents support and positivity. Again, we fully appreciate that this will have made drop-off and collection more difficult for some families but we stress that we believe it to be the only way to safely bring so many people onto school premises. Our timings are crucial to its success and ensuring you arrive at your allocated time slot mornings and afternoons really does help us avoid congestion in and around site.

A reminder on a morning the site does not open until 8.25am and therefore families should not arrive before this time. Parents and children in Years 1, 2, 4 and 6 should not enter our site before 8.40am. Please stick to these times strictly so we can minimise the amount of people on our site at one time.

Of course, we share the site with Kingsmeadow students, who begin to leave their school at 2.45 pm. We are working with their staff to find ways to lessen this impact on areas surrounding the school. However, as regards Dunston Hill, if parents of children in Reception, Year 3 and Year 5 want to avoid congestion on Market Lane please arrive on our site by 2.50pm. **Only parents from these year groups should come on site before 3pm.**

For parents with children in Years 1, 2, 4 and 6 we ask that you please keep Market Lane clear if possible between 2.50pm and 3.00pm to allow Kingsmeadow students the chance to leave, and then head into school between 3.05 and 3.15pm. Children in these year groups will not be leaving before 3pm so there is no rush. Your children will be safe and happy in school until you arrive.

It will also help matters significantly if only one parent or carer enters the site to collect or drop-off as we have requested, which will also minimise congestion. Siblings from Kingsmeadow should not enter our one-way system and arrange to meet you elsewhere.

We realise that this is not an ideal situation and hope that it will only be temporary, but in the meantime, we thank you all for your support.

Finally, please be aware, the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) on Market Lane and Park Terrace (map attached) commenced on Monday. The new restrictions prevent the drop off or pick up of pupils (Monday to Friday) between the hours of 8.00am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 4.00pm. Parents/carers not adhering to the new rules will be issued with a fine. Parking Enforcement Officers have been visible this week and will continue to carry out drop in site visits throughout the year.

Yours sincerely

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