



ETONBURY
ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we enter the last week of the summer term, all of the ETA Junior team would like to thank pupils and parents for their hard work, kind words and support during recent challenging weeks and months. We have really enjoyed the last few weeks in the company of our Year 6 pupils and are really excited to welcome back our new Years 5 and 6 pupils in September.

In September, the start times for ETA Juniors has **moved to 8.15 for an 8.30 start with a 3.15 dismissal for 3.20 collection**. This allows us to retain a stagger with pupils from Year 7 upwards who arrive and leave later in the day.

All our pupils must **arrive via the main small gate on the left where they will be met by a senior leader** and directed sensibly to the Junior block. Children will be going straight into class on arrival. At the end of the day, children will also **leave via the main gate** where they can be met by parents if they wish. There is no requirement for children to be accompanied to and from school but we respectfully ask that pupils are advised to adopt social distancing when with their friends.

For the purpose of timetabling the day, **Years 5 and 6 will be treated as separate 'bubbles'**. They will have separate playgrounds for break and lunch and will be encouraged where possible to eat outside. Children will pre-order meals in the morning to prevent congestion in the canteen.

Similar to lock down school, **on the days your child has PE they are asked to come in their kit for the whole day** to prevent social distancing issues in the changing rooms. **Children will not require any equipment** (pens, pencils etc) as these will be provided by the school - **Year 5 pupils please bring your welcome pack pencil case** to be left in school. Year 6 will all be provided with a small clear pencil case of equipment. This will ensure no COVID issues with shared equipment in class or items being brought to and from home.

On the first day back we would like the **new Year 5 pupils to arrive at 9.30am** once all the other pupils are settled in. This allows for a quieter, smooth start to the day. **Following this Year 5 will revert to 8.15am** start similar to the Year 6 pupils.

Please note, in line with academy policy, there will be no work set over the summer for our pupils.

Any further queries please feel free to message me on ETA-Primary@bestacademies.org.uk.

Enjoy your summer

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