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Dear parents and carers,

Please read this letter for important information about school in September. I am aware that Covid is now very much a part of our lives, and we are running school much more normally, but following your responses to the annual questionnaire, we are keeping some of the positive changes since the pandemic started.

To be able to maintain more of a distance with large numbers of children entering the Junior School these are the timings for September. Y3/4 timings will stay as they have been for the past year, but Y5/6 will now enter at 8:40 and leave at 3:10pm. This is because Y5/6 children very often walk to school alone and wait by the gates closed unattended. By opening these gates earlier for Y5/6 they will be safely on the school grounds more quickly.

Start time	Year group	Finish time
8:40am	5 and 6	3:10am
8:45am	3 and 4	3:15am

All year groups can enter via the front gates on Brandon Road, or at the back of the school on West Road. At the back, Years 3 and 4 will continue to enter and exit via the gate closest to the layby and Westfield School and Years 5 and 6 will enter and exit via the side gate at the turning circle on West Road. Please ensure your child knows which gate they should be leaving by.

Children in Years 5 and 6 can only leave the site unattended at the end of the day if you have completed the reply slip for the walking home alone letter and returned it by Friday 22nd July 2022. They will need to show their walk home card to the adult on duty at the gate to be able to leave. Please ensure they do not lose this card. (This will be given to them in September).

Play times: Years 3 and 4 will play at 10:10 am and Years 5 and 6 will play at 10:30am.

Collective worship (assemblies): to keep the numbers lower in the hall we will continue to alternate days for lower KS2 (Y3&4) and upper KS2 (Y5&6).

Lunch times: Years 3 & 4 eat in the hall at 12 noon, followed by playtime outside at 12:30. Years 5 & 6 will play outside first at 12 noon and then eat in the dinner hall at 12:30pm. If your child buys a hot school dinner, please ensure you pay for this online through **Pupil Asset parent app** or bring the money to the school office yourself (not via the child) on a Monday morning before school. We will not be accepting cash from children.

PE: Children to arrive in PE kit on their PE days. Teachers will communicate this through ClassDojo. The new classes will be set up at the start of the holidays.

For PE, please ensure your child wears black joggers or shorts appropriate for the weather and activity (shorts only for gymnastics), trainers and their house-coloured PE shirt or sweatshirt available with the logo from Birds of Dereham, or without the logo from other retailers. Their house colour will be the same as they were at Westfield. **No hoodies.**





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Reading: Once again, the PTA are kindly purchasing the GoRead app for each child in the school, this proved very popular in the responses to the parent questionnaire, it supports the children well and cuts down on paperwork/books going daily between home and school.

Breakfast and After School Club: We continue to offer wrap around care from 7.30am and 6pm. Places are charged at £4.00 per hour and are limited on a first come, first served basis. Places must be booked in advance online at https://wattonwestfield.magicbooking.co.uk/

If you need to speak with the school office, you can come to the main front door during the busy drop off and collection times and be let into the lobby. The telephones are always very busy before 9am and you may wish to contact the office by email or look on the school website for answers to routine questions. **Absence should always be reported to the office via phone or email before 9am**, but for any other queries, you may wish to contact the class teachers direct on ClassDojo.

Thank you for working with us again this year, I know it has been an even more difficult year for children, parents, and staff. However, we have continued to put the children first in all that we do and with your support, we have been able to help the children all achieve the best they can, and above all have fun and enjoy their learning.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Kemp

Executive Headteacher

