



# PARENT AND CARER UPDATED INFORMATION

# MOSSEND PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLASS

This update contains lots of important drop off and pick up information for children. Class teachers have ensured that all children had the chance to familiarise themselves with their new zone prior to the September holiday, but naturally they may forget on their return.

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Please take the time over the long weekend to remind them of the new arrangements effective from Tuesday 29th September 2020.

## WEEK 8 UPDATE TUESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2020

### DROP AND GO

When children return on Tuesday 29th September 2020 the 'Drop and Go' arrangement will continue to be in place. Children can be dropped off no earlier than 8:45am and enter the playground using any gate to line up in their new zone. Breakfast club continues to run from 8:15am each morning.

**No parents/carers are permitted to be in the playground in the mornings.**

If your child is likely to be upset or you do not wish them to wait outside in the cold or rainy weather, then please do not drop them off until 9am at the bell. **Similarly, if you are not prepared to leave until the bell rings, then do not use the drop and go option as you are impeding others.**

The staff in the playground are there to supervise the children in the morning, do not distract them from their duties, or put them or others at risk by asking to speak to them at the gate about enquiries or issues you have. You should email or telephone the school office and your enquiry will be passed to the relevant person for response.

### PICK UP

P1-3 children will continue to be dismissed at 2:50pm from their new zone area and P4-7 children should continue to either walk home themselves or arrange to meet an adult away from the school grounds to avoid blocking the narrow pavements when they are dismissed at 3:00pm.

To aid the pick up process we have added additional circles to the playground (which we are referring to as pods). We ask that you stand in these (where available) to ensure an appropriate distance. **You should follow the directional arrows on the ground and make your way to the coloured pod area to collect your child.**

If you have more than one child in P1-3 then you should collect the youngest first and your older child will still be with their teacher waiting for you in their pod area.

**ONLY PARENTS/CARERS FOR NURSERY-P3 CHILDREN ARE PERMITTED IN THE PLAYGROUND AT PICK UP TIME.**

### SAFETY

As you will be aware, the cases of Covid-19 are sadly on the rise, so it is now essential that any adult in our playground has a face covering on and this will apply to staff too.

If you are exempt from wearing a face covering or do not wish to wear one, then please make alternative arrangements and do not enter the school grounds.

Staff dismissing children at 2:50pm have a duty to do so safely and we ask that you do not attempt to engage them in conversation, particularly during these current restrictions as this would put them at unnecessary risk. Should you wish to discuss anything with the class teacher then please email or telephone the school office and it will be passed to them for response.

### VIEW THE NEW ZONES

Please visit our website or app to view the new zones/pods and we have also created an interactive map to ensure that everyone is fully aware of the new arrangements. Note that some zones may have changed since the information given to your child on Wednesday, this is due to updated national guidance. You should be assured that this is the latest information and staff will be on hand at the drop and go on Tuesday to advise any child who is unsure, **however we would ask that you take time to view this in advance of Tuesday and discuss with your child to ensure that they are ready for the return to school.**



# NURSERY CLASS UPDATE



## NURSERY DROP OFF ARRANGEMENTS

Nursery children should continue to use their allocated gate and will begin their day at 8:50am. You can view this on the interactive map provided. Parents/Carers should bring their child to the Nursery door where a member of staff will greet them, it is mandatory to wear a face covering when entering the playground. **Please note, that if you are late then you will need to bring your child to the main entrance and ring the bell as the Nursery Door is not manned.**



## NURSERY PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS



Nursery children will be dismissed at 2:50pm from the Nursery door, parents/carers should enter the playground and maintain a social distance wearing a face covering. The yellow and blue groups will be dismissed to the right (closer to the main entrance) and the red and green groups will be dismissed to the left (closer to the gym hall). It would help if you stood in the area where you child will be dismissed and ensure that you leave the playground as soon as you have your child to prevent any congestion when the school children leave at 3pm.

## LUNCH

**Please note a change to the school lunch menu for this week only.**

On Tuesday 29th September the option will be chicken or vegetable curry and on Wednesday 30th September the option will be quorn sausages with cowboy beans and waffles. The 'Snack to Go' Option is always available too. This is because of later deliveries to the kitchen due to the September weekend holiday.

**On Thursday the canteen will be having a special Italian themed day with pizza, pasta and a free cake for every child. Don't miss it! Friday will be fish and chips as normal.**

## NEIGHBOURS



### Please be considerate!

We ask again that you are mindful of our neighbours. Many of the residents living nearby the school are elderly or vulnerable and therefore it is imperative that you maintain a social distance, wear a face covering and do not block their access. Please do not sit on their walls or enter their property when waiting for your child.

Park your car responsibly as children cannot see safely around double parked cars or cars parked on pavements. We all have to be more mindful on how our actions impact others during this time and strive to set good examples for our children on how to be responsible citizens.

## MR REID'S MINDSET MATTERS

We had some amazing pictures of our school submitted!

I was very impressed to see the attempts children (and adults) made and then the finished products. Proving that when we are determined and brave, we all can succeed.

This week, my challenge to you is an active one during the holiday period. Can you climb a tree, learn a new sport, play a new game, beat a personal best record?

You can share your videos/pictures on Twitter #MPSMindset or on your class Microsoft Team. Have a great holiday!



## CLASS NEWSLETTERS

As we have not been able to invite parents/carers into the school building for our normal 'Meet the Teacher' sessions, we have been looking at new ways to report to you and will continue to do this throughout this session.



We are delighted to share with you a class update in the form of a newsletter from your child's teacher. The newsletter will give you a report on what your child has been learning since their return and the future plans for them until December.

These can be now be viewed on our app and on our website

## Staffing Updates



Following a successful application, Miss McIntyre and Mr Malik will now be supporting Mr Reid with digital learning, digital interventions and creating digital resources to support the cluster, they will work closely together and class share room 17. The P7 children are very excited to welcome Mr Malik into their classroom after the holidays.

Mr Sludden was with us on a short-term maternity cover role and sadly that role has now ended, we thank him for all his hard work and wish him good luck in his new school.

Mrs A Currie is excited to return to us now that her maternity leave has ended and we look forward to welcoming her back in the coming weeks.

**Have a relaxing and safe holiday**