Dear parents and carers,

This guidance has been provided to help you understand what school will look like in September for you and your child(ren). I hope you find it useful in preparing for next year. If you have any further questions that have not been addressed please feel free to contact the school on



parentline@southwayjunior.co.uk

Kind regards Mr Newbold

Returning to school in September 2021 - FAQs

What time do I drop my child off to school?

There will be a 5-minute gap between drop off times to allow for effective footfall flow of adults and children.

If your child is in years 3 or 5, school will start at 8:35am – 8:40am. If your child is in years 4 or 6, school will start at 8:40am – 8:45am.

What time do I pick my child up from school?

There will be a 5-minute gap between collection times to allow for effective social distancing of adults and children.

If your child is in years 3 or 5, your child will be collected at **3:15pm – 3:20pm**. If your child is in years 4 or 6, your child will be collected at 3:20pm – 3:25pm.

Where does my child enter and exit the school?

Members of the senior leadership team will be on the gates at the top of the drive. If your child is in years 3 or 4 (lower school), they will use the path on the right-hand side of the entrance, leading down to the small playground, where they will be met by staff.

If your child is in years 5 or 6 (upper school), they will use the path on the left of the building, through the main gate leading to the big playground, where they will be met by staff.

Can I come on to the school premises?

Parents / carers are welcome on the school premises for drop off and pick up but must still follow the **one** way system. If you need to come to school at other times, you may come to reception. If there are too many parents / carers in the reception area, we may ask you to wait outside.

Will there be an opportunity to meet my child's class teacher next term?

There will be new parent "Meet the Teacher" meetings (virtual) in September 2021 with your child's class teacher. Dates for these will be sent out in September.

How do I communicate with teachers?

Class teachers are available to respond to emails. The email address for each teacher is classname@southwayjunior.co.uk e.g. rowling@southwayjunior.co.uk – please feel free to contact them with any queries you may have. You will receive a response within 48 hours. If the class teacher feels your enquiry needs to be passed on to Mr Newbold or one of the Assistant Headteachers, they will do so. Parentline is always available for general enquiries at parentline@southwayjunior.co.uk

How do I communicate with the SENDCo to discuss anything relevant to SEND or Pupil Premium?

Please contact Miss Nicholson at sen@southwayjunior.co.uk

How do I communicate with the office staff?

You can call 01444 233824. The office is open from 8:30am to 3:30pm. There is an answerphone for messages. Parentline is always available for general enquiries at parentline@southwayjunior.co.uk If your child is unwell, please call the office on 01444 233824 and leave a message reporting their name, class and their illness or email welfare@southwayjunior.co.uk

What equipment can my child bring in to school?

Please ensure your child has a suitable bag or rucksack to bring their lunch boxes, water bottle, hats, coats and a reading book into school. These will be stored in their lockers during the school day. Currently we are accepting bikes or scooters for Years 5 and 6 children **only** onto the school premises. We are planning on installing suitable storage on the lower playground for years 3 and 4 during the year.

Please ensure that all uniform, equipment and belongs are clearly named.

PE Days?

On your child's nominated P.E. days, your child will be expected to come to school wearing school P.E. kit for the day. PE days will be emailed before school starts in September.

Will my child have any trips, visits or visitors in autumn term?

Trips will be going ahead in the autumn term. Dates will be on the diary dates available on the website. All dates are subject to change.

Will there be after school clubs?

These will commence in the second half of the Autumn term.

Will year 6 be taking SATs next year? Yes.

Will year 4 be taking the statutory multiplication test next year? Yes.

Is the school providing hot lunches? Yes. If your child is eligible for free school meals, a hot meal will be provided for them. If you wish to purchase a hot meal for your child the Meal Selector system is open and you are able to now book this. Please ensure that you advise Chartwells of any dietary needs.

Can I come and watch my child in a class assembly or celebration assemblies?

This is currently under review and parents will be informed in good time prior to any events.

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