



# Ditton Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

First of all, thank you for your patience and understanding during what has been a successful return to school for our children. It has been fantastic to see so many happy faces in school and they have all been working hard and they all look very smart in their new uniform! We are so proud of each and every one of them! We hope to share some of the fun things we are getting up to next week so please keep an eye on the school's twitter feed!

We have constantly reviewed and amended arrangements for entering and leaving the school site as the safety of our pupils and our families is our top priority. We are making what we hope to be the final changes to assist with social distancing on the playground at these busy times of day.

From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 1LF (Miss Fitzsimon's class) and 2CH (Mrs Hubble's class) will enter and exit via the classroom doors. This will mean that parents will walk down the path towards the main entrance to the class doors. We will not be raising the barrier so that there is more space to allow adults to socially distance.

**Please note, the school office will remain closed to parents unless by prior arrangement. You must not enter the school building unless an appointment has been made.**

With these two classes using their classroom doors, it will allow 3EA (Mrs Allen's/Miss Leah's class) and 4KAH (Miss Horkin's class) to use their classroom doors to enter and exit the building. This will mean that the area outside the double doors on the KS2 yard will be less congested and parents will be able to keep 2 metres apart.

We are doing our utmost to keep all our pupils, staff and families healthy and we would ask parents to support us with this by following social distancing guidelines and staying 2 metres apart wherever possible. As I am sure you are aware, the rate of infection within Halton, like elsewhere in the country, is rising. Therefore, we would also advise and encourage parents entering the playground to wear masks if they are able in order to protect themselves and others.

The school has provided windows of time to allow a steady flow of parents into the school for drop off and pick-ups. Please do not come early to collect your child, you can come at any time during the relevant window and we are finding that the later times tend to be less busy and easier to maintain social distancing.

Reception and KS1	Drop off: 8.45am – 8.55am	Pick up: 3.00pm – 3.10pm
KS2	Drop off: 8.35am – 8.45am	Pick up: 3.10pm – 3.20pm

At the moment, children have been taking part in assessments and we will send more information arrangements for reading books and homework next week.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs J Pyne  
Head of School