



Haversham Village School

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Dear Parents,

The staff and I would like to thank parents for observing the 2 metre distance whilst lining up each morning and afternoon, and for respecting our strategies within the school grounds to help make everybody as safe as possible, such as leaving the car-park promptly. We know the length of the restrictions due to Covid-19 are taking their toll on us all, so thank you !! We have been really delighted with how well the children have settled back into school life, learning in class, and at how well the children in Rabbits Class have settled into school and their class. This is amazing and a wonderful start to their school life. From next Monday 28th September many of the children in Rabbits Class will be attending school full-time. Just to remind everybody, this means children will line up, with one parent, 2 metres apart at the following times :

Staggered entry to school

KS1

8.45am - Yr 2 Main Entrance

8.50am - Yr 1 Main Entrance

8.55am - Foundation Main Entrance

9.00 am - Door closed

KS2

8.40am - Year 5 KS2 Side gate

8.45am - Year 4 KS2 Side gate

8.50am - Year 3 KS2 Side gate

8.55 am - Gate closed and locked

Staggered exit from school

KS1

3.05pm - Foundation – Main entrance

3.10pm - Year 1 – outside classroom door

3.15pm - Year 2 – outside classroom door

KS2

3.10pm – Year 3 – KS2 Gate

3.15pm - Year 4 – KS2 Gate

3.20pm - Year 5 - KS2 Gate

In school, each class spends their day with the children in their class as a 'class bubble'. All of the school staff are working daily to keep these 'bubbles' separate in order to minimise the risk of spreading germs. There is a lot of extra work involved in trying to ensure the children keep safe. It is essential that we do all we can to protect your children and our staff from possible coronavirus.

We are, therefore, rather worried and disappointed that we have some parents allowing children to mix across classes - out of their 'class bubbles', in the local recreation ground after school, and out of school. All of the staff, including myself, are extremely concerned about this, as this is reducing the effectiveness of all our efforts to keep your children and the staff safe. Potentially, by mixing children across ages, the parents who are allowing this to happen are threatening the spread of coronavirus and making school closure more likely. The national and local situation in Milton Keynes is becoming much more worrying, with a significant rise in people with the virus. I have been made aware that there are some parents who are as worried about the number of children mixing across classes in the park as we are.

We do understand that the recreation ground is not the school grounds, but we hope that you could understand there is a real risk to children in school, and therefore to each family at the school, as well as to our very hard working staff. We want to be able to keep open for your children for as long as possible, so we urge you to observe the law, with respect to the 'Rule of Six', but also to help us in such an essential matter. We would be very grateful for your help in working as a whole school team to protect us all. Many thanks for your co-operation, support and understanding. Thank you again for those we are leaving school straight away.

Kind regards

Mrs Alison Mears
Headteacher

and All staff at Haversham Village School

