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Dear Parents,

I would like to say how much the staff at Tynsel Parkes are looking forward to welcoming back all the children on **Wednesday 2nd September**. Please be assured that the school has all the measures in place to ensure that the environment will be as safe as possible for your children to return. I thought it would be useful to remind you of a few points before the children return.

When returning in **September on Wednesday 2nd**, please can I remind you of the staggered start times listed below, the doors will be clearly labelled to help. We have staggered the start and the end of the school day to minimise the number of families on the yard at one time, as recommended by the Government. To help reduce numbers on the yard, please can I ask for one adult per family at drop off or pick up times. Your children need to stay with you and not run around the yard or play with the tyres or trim trail. Unfortunately, we are unable to change these times for individuals and ask that you do not arrive before your allotted time. Thank you for supporting the school with these actions.

Class		Start time	Pick up time
Nursery	Drop children at the nursery door -wait in the queue system.	Doors open at 8:30am	2:55pm
Reception	Drop children off at the reception classroom door - wait in the queue system.	Doors open at 8:45am	3:05pm
Year 1	Parents to wait behind the cones and children to go to their year group cones	Doors open at 8:40am	3:00pm
Year 2	Parents to wait behind the cones and children to go to their year group cones	Doors open at 8:50am	3:10pm
Year 3	Parents to wait behind the cones and children to go to their year group cones	Doors open at 8:55 am	3:10pm
Year 4	Parents to wait behind the cones and children to go to their year group doors	Doors open at 8:45am	3:05pm

Please follow the one-way route through the playground, to avoid as much congestion as possible. Once you have dropped your child off or the older children have left you when their doors have opened, please do not stay and have a chat as the next set of families will be arriving straight after you. Unfortunately, at this time you will not be able to enter the school office or have conversations on the yard with the class teachers - all communications will be over the phone or via email to aid with social distancing, we are sorry about this but hope you understand it is for health and safety reasons.

What your child will need to bring:

- All pupils will wear full uniform, wearing sensible footwear, outdoor learning will continue to take place during the Autumn term as much as possible. (**Please label all clothing**)
- Children **will not** need to bring a full PE at this time. Send your child with trainers in their PE bags, ensuring children can take their shoes on and off.
- A filled water bottle with your child's name clearly labelled- this will go home daily to be washed and brought back for the following day.
- Children will not be able to bring any of their toys from home to school due to health and safety reasons.
- Children will need to bring their book bags. The new reception class will be provided with a book bag. Please return any reading books and library books from last year - we will be collecting these on Wednesday. The school spent a lot of money replenishing the reading book scheme last October and would like to have all books returned.
- All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. Remember to order school lunches through SchoolGrid for Wednesday. Nursery, Year 3 and Year 4 are welcome to order a lunch at the price of £1.80 (Nursery)/£2.20 (Years 3 & 4) or bring a packed lunch in a labelled lunch box or lunch bag.
- Your child **does not** need to bring a school bag as all stationery and equipment will be provided in school, children will not be able to use any equipment brought from home.

You should not send your child to school if you or anyone in your household is displaying symptoms of coronavirus. If this is the case, please inform school immediately. The government has announced that once schools are open, staff and pupils in all settings will be eligible for testing if they become ill with coronavirus symptoms, as will members of their household. This will enable children and young people to return to education, and their parents or carers to get back to work if the test proves to be negative. A positive test will ensure rapid action to protect all the children and staff.

We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday and know that you will support the school in providing an environment that is as safe as possible for all.

Rachel Chandler
Principal