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## Welcome Back

Dear parents and carers,

After a long time apart for many of us, our whole school community has finally been reunited and yesterday was a really positive day for all of our staff. The children all seemed very happy and looked incredibly smart in their new uniforms. It was also great to see the familiar faces of parents and carers as well as some new ones too.

I just wanted to take this opportunity to reiterate some key points around **starting and finishing school** which came out of yesterday and to clarify the expectations for everyone.

- The staggered start and finish times are to keep us all safe. Please try to arrive on time and **not too early**. Please wait patiently for your child to be released from school at the end of the day.
- We are very limited for space outside but please observe the social distancing guidelines – 2 metres apart where you are able to is the clear advice from the government.
- We ask that only ONE adult drops off / collects each child to ensure that there is less congestion.
- We ask that you leave immediately after drop off / collection.
- Staff can't have long conversations at the entrances / exits. We'll be sure to pass on any information we need to but if you need to tell us anything, or talk at more length, a phonecall is better.
- Do NOT congregate outside the school premises. It was as wonderful to see everyone yesterday for us as it will have been for you but we MUST follow the government guidelines.
- Please do NOT allow the children to climb up the rails outside. They need to wait with their adult.

We will do everything in our power to ensure that our school remains open and parents and carers must play their part too. None of this is what we would ordinarily want but we must meet the challenges Covid-19 has presented us with decisiveness and determination.

**It is the responsibility of all of us to keep each other safe. Most importantly, of course, it is the responsibility of us as adults to keep our children safe.**

We will send out a letter every Friday with updates but please check the website where you can find all the information you need. <https://richardson-dees.eschools.co.uk>

Kind regards,

Mr W Myers  
Headteacher

