

Thursday 16th July 2020

Return to school – September 2020



Dear parents/carers,

I hope you are all well and managing to stay safe as the current term draws to an end. It's not the end of term any of us ever imagined but we are looking forward and following the Government guidance last week, we have been busy planning for September.

School will be open to all pupils from September and the Government has stated that it expects all pupils to return, however, school will still be very different to normal. The virus still exists with no vaccine and as such we will be taking measures to reduce the amount of contact children will have with each other. Children will be taught in class bubbles and they will be able to mix within these bubbles but not outside of these groups.

As a result, we will need to stagger drop off and pick up times, lunchtimes and breaktimes and there will be no assemblies or other activities where pupils may have usually interacted. As we have to get 500 pupils on and off the site safely some families will find there is a long gap between dropping off and picking up siblings. We respectfully ask parents to try and problem solve this tricky situation themselves. If you find you need the school to help with this then please email Mrs Campbell head@william-cobbett.surrey.sch.uk to discuss. We are aware that this whole situation will be a challenge for many parents but hope we can work together to follow government guidelines and keep our school community safe. As soon as the Government relaxes the current measures, whenever that may be, we will return to our normal school day timings.

Drop off and pick up Infant Site

It is very important that only one adult does the drop off and pick up and that you arrive within your time slot. There is no room for you to queue outside or on school grounds so please do not arrive early. Similarly, if you arrive after your designated slot, you may have to wait until the next bubble have left the school grounds before entering. On entering the infant site, you will be directed through the normal school gates to the small wooden gates near the school office where your child's teacher will be waiting to greet them. Please then leave the site through the black gate following the white arrows painted on the floor. Pick-up time will follow the same pattern. Families with siblings at the junior site will be allowed to drop them off at the same time at younger siblings but it will not be possible at pick up except in exceptional, agreed circumstances.

Drop off	Pick up
8:40 Y2	3:10
8:50 Y1	3:20
9:00 YR	3:00

Junior Site: (Registered address)
Weybourne Road, Farnham
Surrey GU9 9ER

Infant Site:
Knights Road, Farnham
Surrey GU9 9DA

Tel: 01252 312772 Fax: 01252 334229
www.william-cobbett.surrey.sch.uk
juniors@william-cobbett.surrey.sch.uk
infants@william-cobbett.surrey.sch.uk

Drop off and pick up Junior Site

Children can either walk into school by themselves through one of the pedestrian gates or dropped at the drive-through at their allotted time. Once on site the children should walk straight to their classroom. At the end of the day children can either be picked up at the drive-through or the walk-through. (Please see the parent information leaflet for more details). Alternatively, children may walk home or to a pre-arranged meeting point. Please complete the attached form to let us know how your child will be leaving school each day so we can ensure their safety.

Drop off	Pick up
8:50 Y3	3:20
9:00 Y4	3:30
9:10 Y5	3:40
9:20 Y6	3:50

Waiting area for parents with siblings

We are pleased make the shade sail area of the junior playground available at the end of the day for any parents that need to wait for a sibling.

Drop off and pick up arrangements for children in the Woodland Centre

Children who are brought to school by taxi will continue to use the timings agreed. If you bring your own child to school then please use the following timings.

Infant Site	
Drop off	Pick up
9:00	3:00
Junior site	
Drop off	Pick up
8:40	3:00

We are aware that this whole situation will be a challenge for many parents but hope we can work together to follow government guidelines and keep our school community safe. There will be videos posted via Seesaw and on the school website to show how our drop-off and pick-up arrangements will work.

Please familiarise yourself with the Information for Parents leaflet that is attached, and if you have any other questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

And, as ever, this is all subject to change over the summer holidays. We will communicate any changes to you via email so please watch out for communications over the summer.

Wishing you all a very restful summer holiday,

Mrs Julie Campbell

Headteacher