

Whitstable Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to send a quick update now that we have had 2 mornings of the new system of start times and gates.

It has all gone very well and we are really appreciative of your understanding whilst we "iron out the creases".

We have a few tweaks to make and requests;

Please **do not** arrive before your allocated time slot as this impacts on the measures we have put into place to support social distancing. We have given 15 minutes for each arrival time and so you will not be late arriving after the allocated time slot.

If you have siblings in different year groups please can you bring them both at **8:45am** not 8:30am. This means the children are not waiting around. The older child can go straight to their class (they won't be considered late as the Year 5 and 6 don't take the register until 8:50am) and the younger child can line up with their class.

Year 3 parents have been able to come up onto the playground this week but we will ask you to say goodbye at the gate and leave from next Monday. Please do not wait at the gate once you have dropped them off as this creates a crowd and makes social distancing more difficult. Thank you for your understanding in this.

Please also try to limit how many adults bring your child to school and collect them. We have asked that only one adult does this. Again this will help with social distancing.

Once again thank you very much for helping us adhere to all the guidance to keep us all safe. I also want to say how wonderful it has been to see and hear the children around school. It's just what we all needed.

Kind regards,

Annie Knoupe Headteacher Whitstable Junior School











