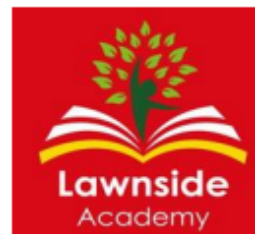


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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to Lawnside and a new school year and a very warm welcome to our new families.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your patience and understanding as we navigate our way through the new school routines and procedures post the COVID-19 lockdown. We promised to review our staggered start and finish times and we would like to propose the following changes to start next week; week commencing Monday 14th September:

Key Stage	Class	Start Time	Finish Time	Location of drop-off / pick-up
Reception	Chestnut and Willow classes	8:50am	3:10pm	Playground
1	Cherry	9am	3:20pm	Front entrance
	Lime	9am	3:20pm	Front entrance
	Rowan	9am	3:20pm	Playground
2	Sycamore	9:10am	3:30pm	Playground
	Birch	9:10am	3:30pm	Front entrance
	Oak	9:10am	3:30pm	Playground

We hope that the above timings will make it a little easier for you and get the children a little bit back more to 'normal'. If you have more than 1 child in more than 1 key stage, then please bring them together at your latest allocated start time and collect them together at your earliest allocated finish time.

Please can we politely request that you do not drive up Lawnside and that once you have dropped off and/or collected your children that you leave the school grounds as quickly as possible in order to avoid congestion and large gatherings.

One question which has been raised by a number of you is around what to do if your child shows symptoms of COVID-19. If your child displays the following symptoms, they should self-isolate for **10 days** and get them tested (all members of their households (including siblings) should self-isolate for **14 days**, to help to protect others in the community while they are infectious):

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- loss, or change, of sense of smell or taste
- children and their families are eligible for testing; children over 5 can access via 111 online and under 5 through 111 helpline
- if a child tests positive whilst not experiencing symptoms but develops the symptoms during the isolation period they should restart the 10-day isolation period from the day they develop symptoms
- please inform us immediately of the results of a test to enable us to follow government guidance in the case of a positive / confirmed result.

We have updated our COVID-19 Risk Assessment and this can be found, for your information, on our website;

<https://www.lawnsideacademy.org.uk/page/?title=COVID%2D19&pid=66>

Yours sincerely



Cheryl Johnson
Principal