



# Andreas School

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Dear Parents/ Carers

I'm delighted to welcome all our children back to school from Monday 22nd June. Initially, we made lots of changes to the classrooms in order to comply with the necessary risk assessments. However, as social distancing is no longer a requirement, these changes are no longer relevant and your child can now look forward to coming back to the Andreas school they know and love! Attendance is voluntary until September so please let me know if your child **will not** be returning.

## Teachers

Children will be with their usual class teachers. Mrs Hawkins is unable to return to work full time just yet so she is job sharing with Miss Laura Brindley for the time being. Miss Brindley is a fully qualified teacher who has been volunteering in school for some months.

## Lunches

All children will initially have a packed lunch. You can provide one from home or school will provide one if your child normally has school dinners. If you pay for school dinners payment is via Parentpay as usual.

## Uniform

School uniform is not required, please feel free to dress your child in the most easily manageable clothing and footwear for the rest of the term. In order to reduce the potential risk of cross contamination, children should not bring anything from home other than a coat if necessary, a snack and a water bottle, thank you.

## Hygiene

Please could you reiterate the importance of hand washing to your child(ren). In order to access as much equipment as safely as possible, we will be asking everyone to wash their hands before entering and leaving school and their own classroom as well as at regular times during the day. Please refer to the hand washing guidance attached and ensure your child washes their hands before leaving home for school in the morning, thank you.

## School times

Drop off and pick up times remain the same, teachers will be in the playground at 9.10 to meet the children as usual and any children in years reception, 1 or 2 will be taken to the bus at home time if necessary.

## Buses - important information

The 3.45 p.m. public service bus is used by children travelling to Ramsey at home time. This service now has a reduced capacity of 16 seats. In order to try and ensure children who require the bus will be able to get on it, we need to know how many seats will be needed by children on a daily basis. I have been informed that the bus company will accommodate all children who need the bus provided they are given numbers in plenty of time to change the bus if necessary. Children using this service must therefore let Mrs Robinson know at the **start of each day** so we can inform the bus station of our numbers. If you have any further questions regarding this service please contact the bus station, thank you.

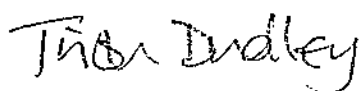
## Provision

We are all very conscious of the fact that children will have had very different experiences of, and responses to, lockdown. Our main priority is to ensure that children settle happily and feel safe and secure back at school. We will spend time recapping and reviewing academic skills but our first focus will be the pastoral care of the children. To help us, please go through the leaflet with your child if you feel it's necessary and let us know if there are any issues or concerns we can help with at school, thank you.

I'd like to thank the staff for all their hard work during lockdown. Providing home learning, keeping in touch with families, working on curriculum developments and, of course, working in the Rhumsaa hub have kept everyone really busy. I'm particularly grateful that everyone who could work in the hub did so with such a positive attitude.

After a difficult and unpredictable time we can all now relax and look forward to an enjoyable summer half term.

Kind regards



Trish Dudley

Head teacher