



2nd September 2021

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you were all able to have a good break over the summer. We are looking forward to starting our new year and welcoming back all pupils on Monday 6th September. Please see the table below for details on the staggered start times in place for Monday.

Monday 6 th September	<p>9 am – Year 7 pupils only - Assembly, followed by enhanced tutor session.</p> <p>10 am – All key stage 2 pupils - Assembly, followed by enhanced pastoral session.</p> <p>10:30 – All Key Stage 4 pupils - Assembly, followed by enhanced pastoral session.</p> <p>11:00 – All Key Stage 1 pupils – Welcome assembly, followed by enhanced time with class teacher.</p> <p>12.00pm – Years 8 and 9 - Assembly, followed by enhanced tutor session.</p> <p>Delayed collection times due to Tour of Britain, details below.</p>
Tuesday 7 th September	Normal timetable will resume.
Friday 10 th September	Early finish time, details below.

On Monday 6th September the Tour of Britain stage will be passing Avanti Hall, and as shared with parents at the end of last term, collection will now be 1 hour later than usual on that day as indicated below.

<i>Year Group(s)</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Years 1 & 2	16:15	Key Stage 1 Area
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	16:30	West Garth Road Gate
Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11	16:30	West Garth Road Gate

Please can we remind parents to be respectful when parking on West Garth road and not block drives or park in coned off zones.

On Friday 10th September, we will be closing at the earlier time of 12:30 to allow time for you to meet your child's new class teacher or tutor. This gives you a chance to make sure you get to meet the person who will be your main point of contact for this year and the first person your child sees every morning, and to discuss any important information you have that will help us care for your child. It also affords us the opportunity to share with you how they have settled back into school life during their first week back. These appointments will be booked through Arbor and further information on how to book will be sent out on Monday.

You may already be aware that Devon has seen a rise in cases of COVID 19 over the summer break. This means that we are now in a 'Enhanced Response' area. As a result of this, we will recommend all secondary pupils to wear face masks in public areas as has previously been the case. If your child is exempt from wearing a mask please ensure that Mrs Rogers is informed. We will also continue providing Lateral Flow Test kits, these will be given to all pupils with LFT consents on Monday 6th September as part of the start of term testing process. On Monday we will be sending out consent forms for our new Year 7s and any new pupils in secondary phase to ensure that you and your child are happy for us to support them with Lateral Flow Testing.

Uniforms have arrived and are now available for collection from Reception. If you placed your order prior to the deadline, you can come to school between 9am – 3:30pm tomorrow Friday 3rd September to collect your uniforms ready for the start of term.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Arnold', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Phil Arnold
Principal