

Dear parents/carers

In preparation for the return to school on **Monday 8th March** of all of our children I would like to share our guidance so that we are able to maintain the same high level of safety that we have provided since Covid began (we still remain child and adult Covid case free at the time of writing). We have decided to continue with a staggered morning drop-off and end to the school day. This will continue at least until Easter when we will look at the most up-to-date government guidance so that we are able to navigate safely through the early stages of the Summer term with the best possible arrangements in place.

The arrangements from Monday are as follows:

Morning:

- all children from **year 5-6** to arrive from **8.45am to 8.55am**.
- all children from **year 3-4** to arrive from **8.55am to 9.05am**.
- all children from **year 1-2** to arrive from **9.05am to 9.15am**.
- all children from **year R** to arrive from **9.15am to 9.25am**. The gate that you have come in through will remain open for your exit.
- Children from **Year R, 1, 2 and 3** to come in accompanied by **1 parent/carer only** through the bottom gate adjacent to the pre-school and exit from the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms. Year R to exit from the gate you entered in.
- Children from year **4, 5 and 6** to come in (**unaccompanied by an adult if possible**) through the gate adjacent to the school hall and exit from the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms.

If you have a child in year 5 who has a sibling in year 1 then the year 1 child can be dropped off at the same time to avoid waiting on the school site. This applies to all year groups.

Afternoon:

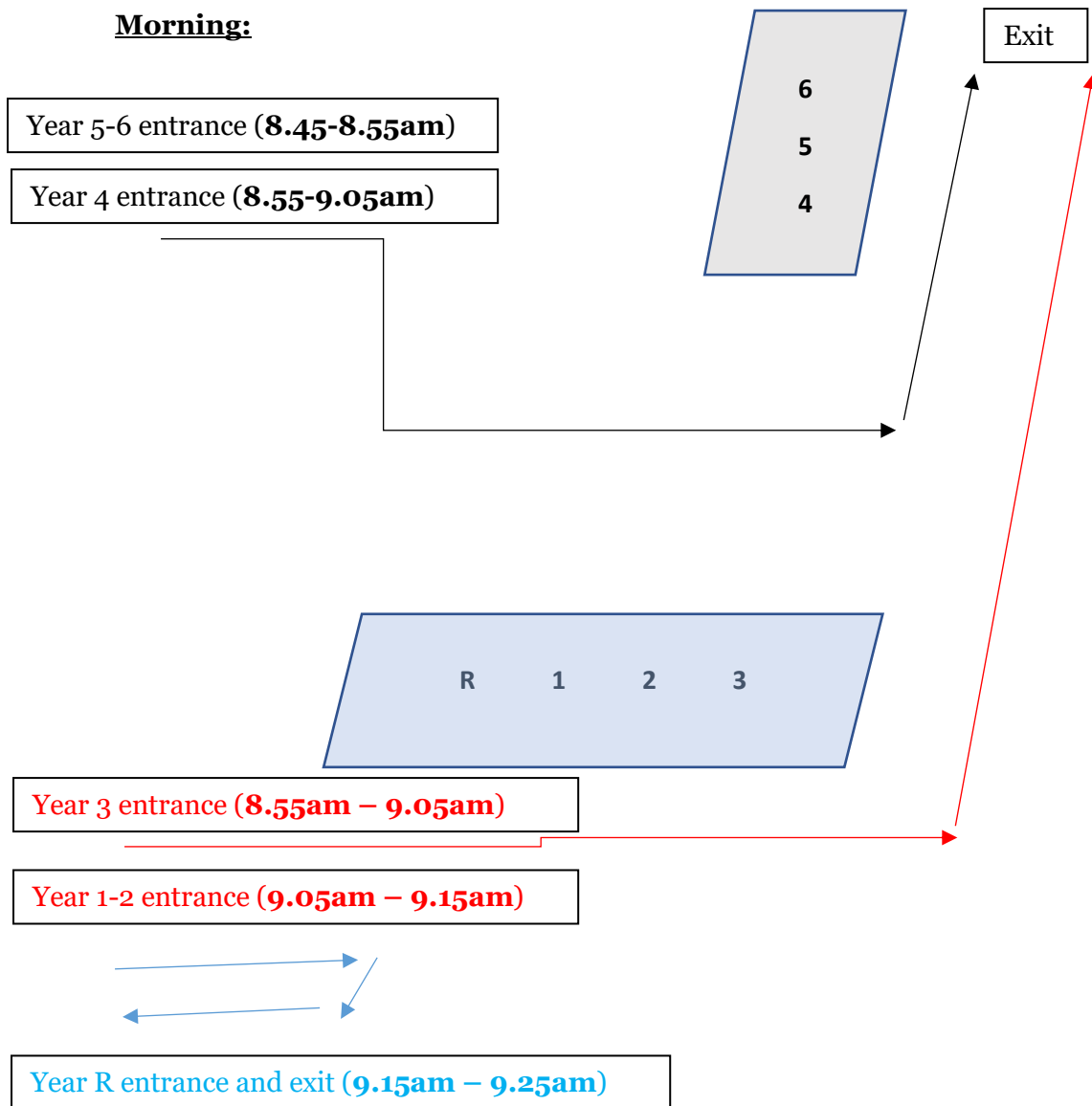
- All children from **Year R** to be collected at **3pm** and exit through the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms. Please enter through the bottom gate adjacent to the pre-school.
- All children from **year 1-2** to be collected at **3.10pm** and to then make your exit through the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms. Please enter through the bottom gate adjacent to the pre-school.
- All children from **year 3-4** to be collected at **3.20pm** and to then make your exit through the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms. Please enter through the bottom gate adjacent to the pre-school.
- All children from **year 5-6** to be collected at **3.30pm** and to then make your exit through the top gate next to the year 6 classrooms. Please enter through the gate adjacent to the school hall.

If you are a parent picking up siblings from other year groups then please make your way to the corresponding classroom as your child will be allowed to leave at that time. ***For example, if you have a child in year 1 who has a sibling in year 5 then the year 5 child will be allowed to leave at the same time to avoid waiting on the school site.*** All class teachers have been provided with a list of siblings so that they are able to ensure those children are ready at the correct time.

Face coverings are now essential everywhere on the school site (including the school office) on pick up and drop off to limit your possible exposure.

Our role is to keep the children safe and to ensure that all of you remain safe when on site.

Morning:



Black route – Year 4, 5 and 6 morning route →

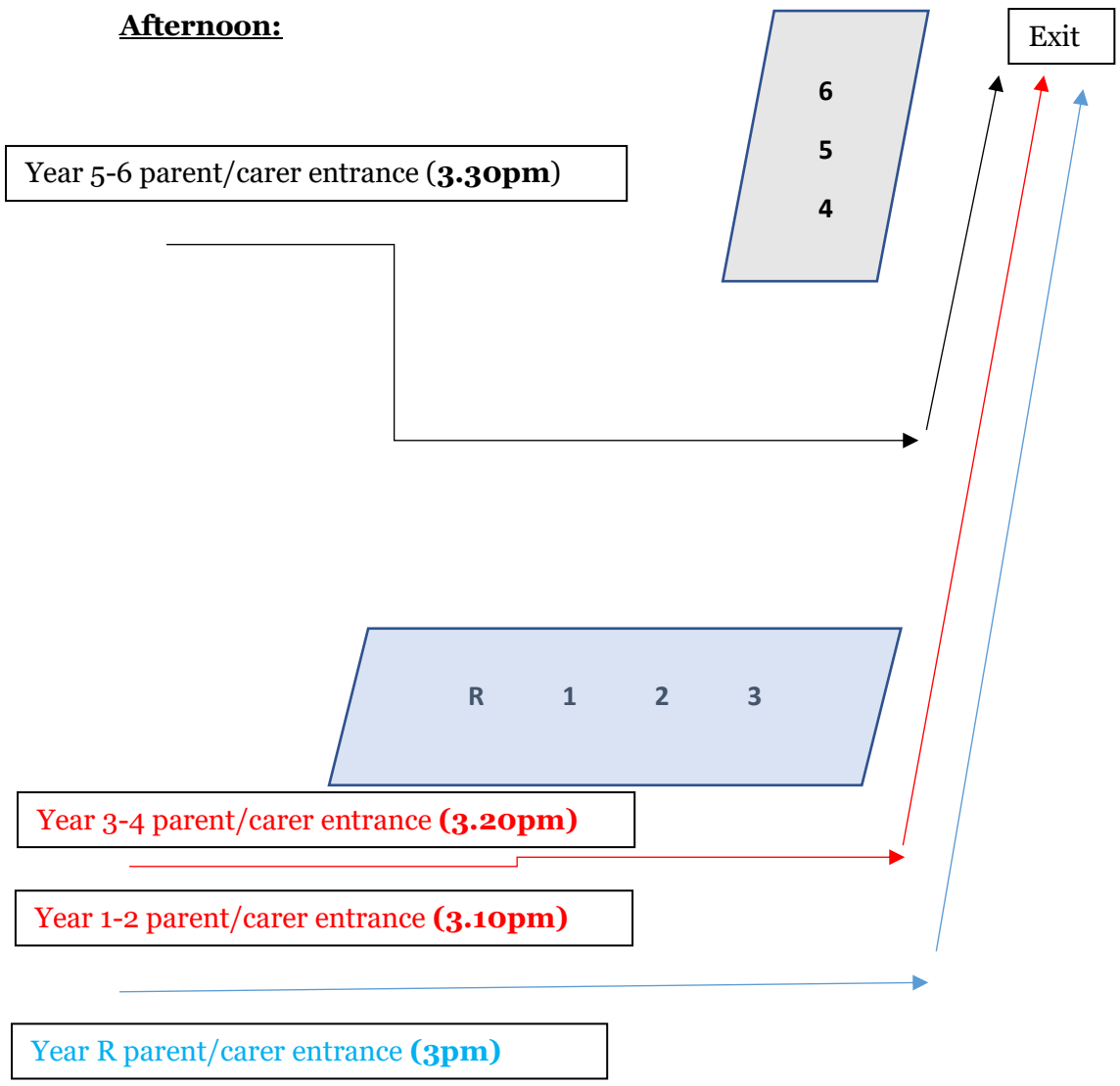
Red route – Year 1, 2 and 3 morning route →

Blue route – Year R morning route →

If you would like to chat to your child’s class teacher please make an appointment with the school office and they will arrange an appropriate time for you – please avoid chats at the door each morning or afternoon.

Breakfast club will continue as normal and children who are part of the after-school care club will go to the hall at their respective finish times.

Afternoon:



Black route – Year 5 and 6 afternoon route →

Red route – Year 1, 2, 3 & 4 afternoon route →

Blue route – Year R afternoon route →

It is important to remember that even though we are welcoming everyone back, we are still a good few weeks away from the normality we all crave. With this in mind, the children will also remain in year group bubbles and continue to have staggered break and lunchtimes. Thank you for your continued support through this still difficult time.

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