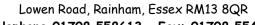
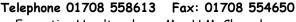


Newtons Primary School





Executive Headteacher - Mrs H McClenaghan Headteacher - Mrs U Connolly



Together we reach for our personal best

2nd October 2020

Dear Parents

Thank you for your patience and understanding over this period of school closure, we really appreciate how difficult and worrying it will have been for many families. We want to reassure you that all necessary Health and Safety measures have been reviewed and where necessary, additional measures put in place. The safety of everyone is paramount and we are now in a position to reopen the school.

The school will reopen on Monday 5th October, all classes, with the exception of Nursery, Mrs Franks (Fox Class) and Mrs Crane's (Crocodile Class), will return to their learning as normal from this date. The 3 classes mentioned will open again on Monday 12th October at the end of their self-isolation period.

There are several changes which we have introduced which are outlined below and for which we thank you for your cooperation.

Please see below some slight changes to the drop off and pick up times for the different groups of children. As we have all become familiar with the routines, it is felt that we can reduce the stagger times at the beginning and end of the school day, allowing more time for learning.

Staggered Start and Finish Times October 2020

Year Group	Walden Avenue		Year Group	Askwith Road	
	Drop off	Collect		Drop off	Collect
Sibling groups and Nursery	8.45am	2.55pm	Year 6	8.45am	3.00pm
Reception/Year	8.50am	3.05pm	Year 3	8.55am	3.05pm
Year 2	8.55am	3.10am	Year 5	9.00am	3.10pm
			Year 4	9.05am	3.15pm



We still ask that you send your child in on their PE day dressed in their PE kit (see below for your child's PE day) not normal uniform. Please ensure that as the weather becomes colder they wear black joggers, bottle green sweatshirt and dark trainers as they will continue to do PE outside, unless it is wet. Please do not drop their kit off at the office if they have forgotten to come dressed in sportswear, the office staff cannot cross bubbles to deliver it to your child's class.

	Year Group PE		
TUES			
	Year 2	Year 4	
WEDS			
	Year 3	Year 5	
THURS			
	N/R/Y1	Year 6	

When we first opened in September, we asked that you bring your child's packed lunch in a 'throw away' bag. After seeing how much waste that has been created by this request we have made the decision to revert back to lunches coming in to school in a sealed reusable lunch box. The children know not to touch any one else's lunch box and so please do label clearly with your child's name. I am sure you will all agree that this can only be good for the environment – obviously if you cannot get hold of a reusable plastic box, a carrier bag will be acceptable.

We have all got used to wearing face coverings when out shopping and on public transport and we are now introducing the requirement that parents wear face coverings while on the school premises. Can I also ask that you do not come in to the school office if you have a query before or after school, please speak to a member of the Leadership Team on the gate or email your child's year group mailbox and the class teacher will get back to you.

Thank you again for your patience and cooperation and we look forward to seeing you on either Monday 5th or Monday 12th October.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs U Connolly

Mrs H McClenaghan