



Morningside Primary School

and Children's Centre
Achieving and Aspiring Together

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Dear Morningside Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well as we come to the end of another extraordinary year. Whilst school has not been operating in the normal way for some of the time, I have been pleased to see how this crisis has brought many of us closer together and I thank you for the support you have given to the school throughout this period. Staff at Morningside have worked incredibly hard both to provide home learning opportunities and to work within strict safety guidelines at school. I know that many of you have risen to the considerable challenge of home schooling to ensure that the children have continued to make progress.

Our core purpose as a school is to tackle disadvantage and support our children to become self-respecting, global citizens. We do this best when we can work directly with the children, face-to-face, role modelling our expectations that all children are ready, respectful and safe at all times. It is for this reason that a full September return, with school functioning as close to normality as possible, is so important. We cannot wait to welcome you in to the building and to run our exciting range of after school enrichment activities, residential trips and, most especially, sharing assemblies and concerts.

Return Dates

The children in years 1-6 return on **Thursday 2nd September**. Children in Nursery and Reception who are not new to Morningside return on **Monday 6th September**. New children in Nursery and Reception have been given start dates at their welcome meetings. Please call the main office if you need to check.

Drop-off and collection

Year Group or group	Drop-off	Collection
Nursery (am and full time)	Nursery gate at 9am	Nursery gate at 12pm or 3.30pm
Nursery (pm)	Nursery gate at 12.30pm	Nursery gate at 3.30pm
Reception	9am-please enter through the large blue gates. You may bring your child to the classroom or say goodbye in the playground	3.30pm -please enter through the large blue gates and wait for your child outside the classroom

Year 1	8.45-8.55am enter through the large blue gates (you may bring your child to the classroom during their first week in year 1)	3.30pm-enter through the large blue gates and collect your child from the classroom
Year 2	8.45-8.55am-please enter through the large blue gates in the front playground. Children go up the blue staircase	3.30pm- enter through the large blue gates and collect your child from the green (2M) or blue (2S) staircase
Year 3	8.45-8.55am-please enter through the large blue gates in the front playground. Children go up the blue staircase	3.30pm in the front playground. Enter through the large blue gates
Years 4-6	8.45-8.55-please enter through the back gate.	Back playground at 3.30pm. Please enter through the large black gates
After School Clubs		4.30pm in the front playground. Club leaders will bring the children down and hand them over to parents at the small blue gate in the front playground
Playcentre		4-6pm please ring the bell next to the small blue gate in the front playground

Gates will be opened just before drop-off and collection time. Parents and carers are welcome to come into the playgrounds to collect their children. Teachers and pastoral staff will be available to talk to parents after school. If you have a message that needs to be relayed in the morning please go to the main office or talk to the pastoral team.

Extended Day

After school clubs will start on Monday 13th September and will run until Thursday 16th December. Booking forms will be sent out by text and email in week one (week commencing 6th September). After School Club and Breakfast Club begin on Thursday 2nd September and must be paid for in advance.

Prices for Extended Day activities

Years 1-6	Cost
School lunches	£2
Breakfast Club	£2
Play Centre 3.30-5pm	£5
Play Centre 3.30-6pm	£7.50
After School Clubs	£2
Early Years	Cost
School lunches	£2
Breakfast Club	£5
Play Centre 3.30-5pm	£7.50

Play Centre 3.30-6pm	£10.00
After School Clubs	£2

All families have now received end of year reports or had them posted if the child is not at school. Parents are rightly concerned to know that the school where their children attend provides a strong education. I'm really pleased to report that the academic outcomes of our leavers are very positive. This is very important because it means that our pupils can move on to secondary school confident in their own ability to face the challenges of the next stage of their lives.

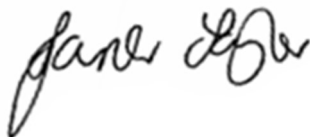
I hope that you have enjoyed watching the end of year assemblies that each class has produced. I think that the assemblies provide you all with an opportunity to see the learning that has happened and the enthusiasm that the children have for their learning. The next ones will hopefully be in the school.

The children have all met with their new teacher, some virtually and some in person. We will organise Meet the Teacher events early in the Autumn term so that parents can come in and see the learning environment and meet the staff. We will be saying farewell to Rob Goldsbrough this week as he moves to a school nearer to his home in south London. We wish him well and thank him for all of his hard work and support for our children over the last 5 years.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has supported the children this year. They are the future, and it is up to us all as the important adults in their lives to make sure that they have the best possible chance for success and happiness.

Have a lovely summer break.

Take care, stay safe and apologies for the extremely long letter!



Janet Taylor

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