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Dear Parents/Carers

We are at the end of what has been a very strange school year for us all, and we hope that, despite the challenges we have had during recent times, you and your child have got to know us here at Chipstead Valley a little bit better over the past few weeks. It has been lovely to see so many excited faces during our recent virtual home visit calls.

Whilst our contact with you and your family has not been as we hoped, we are determined to ensure that your child comes to us in September ready and excited to learn with us here at Chipstead Valley Primary School. The Department for Education has now shared with us some guidance relating to how schools will operate in September and we are working hard on plans to bring all our pupils back in a safe environment. We are ready to share with you how and when your child will start school in September and provide you with our plans below. However, whilst we very much hope to adhere to these planned start dates, please be aware they may be subject to change depending on how outside events unfold over the summer holidays.

Your first week at Chipstead Valley Primary School

The school term for all children in years 1-6 will begin on Monday 7th September. On **Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th September**, we would love to invite all our new reception children in to view their classroom and briefly meet their teacher face to face for the first time! As we will still be operating under social distancing rules, these short visits will be kept to ten minutes and will be staggered to ensure that we restrict the number of children and adults in the classes at any time. You will receive your individual appointment time in due course.

On **Wednesday 9th until Friday 11th September**, all reception children will be invited to attend either a full morning *or* afternoon session to meet their teacher and peers in a classroom environment. Morning sessions will begin at **9:15am until 11:30am** and afternoon session will be **12:30 until 2:45pm**. You will be informed what session your child should attend in due course.

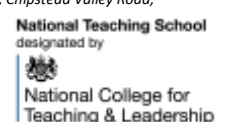
Your second week at Chipstead Valley Primary School

From **Monday 14th until Friday 18th September**, all children will attend school for the morning and will stay for lunch. To facilitate social distancing measures, it has been necessary to stagger drop off and pick up times to ensure we keep the numbers of people on site during busy periods to a minimum. Therefore, the following times have been allocated:



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Hedgehogs – 8:30am until 12:50pm
Squirrels/Rabbits – 8:40am until 1:00pm

Children will be provided with a free school meal as part of the Government Universal Free School Meals. However, you are welcome to provide your child with a packed lunch to bring with them each day.

Finally, we anticipate that by **Monday 21st September**, all reception children will have settled in well and will begin their full time hours. To facilitate social distancing measures and ensure minimum numbers of people are on site during busy periods, the following times have been allocated:

Hedgehogs – 8:30am -2:55pm
Rabbits/Squirrels – 8:40am – 3:05pm

Extended Wraparound care

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, schools are required to ensure minimum numbers of children are mixing outside of their class bubbles at all times and this poses particular challenges when offering wraparound care. We are currently in the process of planning how we can provide this service safely under the current restrictions. If, after consideration we can provide some breakfast and after school club provision, this will not be available for reception children until **Monday 28th September**. This is to ensure we have time to carefully manage the re-opening of the main school for all pupils. As I am sure you can understand, and as this is an unprecedented situation, that has to be our core focus within the initial weeks. In the event that these session can run, they will be available to book using our online payment system SCOpay, and login details will be made available to you during the first week.

Outstanding paperwork and items to purchase

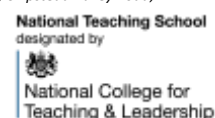
- **Admissions Form** - If you have not done so already, please ensure that you have completed our online admissions form with all current emergency contact details together with any medical or dietary information we need.
- **Elastic Ties and Water Bottles:** CVPS ties and water bottles are available from the school office at a cost of £2 each. If you have not already purchased them, please email admissions@chipstead.croydon.sch.uk to arrange a time to purchase and collect in the first week of September.
- **School Uniform:** CVPS logo items will need to be purchased from School Trends. The link to the School Trends website can be located either via our website: www.chipsteadvalley.com – Parent information/Useful Links/School Trends or directly at www.schooltrendsonline.com/schools/ Uniform items such as shirts, trousers, skirts and pinafore dresses can be purchased in various high street stores.

Swimming: Swimming lessons will take place from January 2020 on a weekly basis. The PTFA kindly gift each child a named swimming hat in time for their lessons and more information will be



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given at the start of the new term. The school office also have a stock of CVPS swimming hats to buy if you would like a spare or do not require a named hat.

Milk and Fruit: Cool Milk provide fresh milk for all children under 5 years old. If you would like your child to receive this milk, you must register your child with Chipstead Valley Primary school by following the link www.coolmilk.com For children over the age of 5; you can still opt to purchase the milk through Cool Milk and can register using the link above.

A fresh piece of fruit is also available for every child in Reception and KS1 each day. Please complete the **OPT OUT** form available from the school office if you **do not wish** your child to have fruit.

Should any of the details above change, we will of course, update you during the summer holiday and we would urge you to check your emails for any updates before September. Of course, If you have any queries in the meantime, please feel free to email the admissions inbox admissions@chipstead.croydon.sch.uk and someone will respond to you accordingly.

We wish you a relaxing and safe summer holiday and look forward to seeing you and your children in September.

Yours Sincerely,

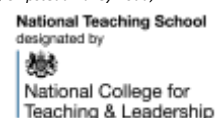
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