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Dear Parents,

We are really looking forward to seeing you all back in school very soon and hope you have all had an enjoyable summer break.

As we return, some key changes to Covid related guidance for schools have been published albeit with a cautionary caveat. The focus is on preventing disruption to pupils' education. As a school community we have been immensely successful in limiting disruption so far and I am not willing to remove all precautionary measures immediately. I'm sure you understand.

Please read the information below carefully. As parents, you may see limited changes initially but these are ongoing. A gradual return to our pre Covid routines will happen throughout September if it is safe to do so.

When do children return to school?

School opens to all pupils on Thursday 2nd September 2021.

What time is drop off?

All pupils should arrive at school **by 8.40am.** It is hoped that pupils arriving **between 8.30 – 8.40am**, will create a steady flow rather than a rush of everyone arriving at once. The children will enter school on arrival, there will be no lining up.

What time is pick up?

Pick up is the same routine as drop off though times will be staggered as indicated below (please follow the time for your eldest child in school):

Year 6	3.05pm	Year 4	3.05pm
Year 5	3.10pm	Year 2	3.10pm
Year 3	3.15pm	Year 1	3.15pm
Reception/Nurserv	3.00pm		

Please DO NOT arrive until 5 minutes before the pick up time stated above. Queue along the perimeter fenceline and classes will be called asap.

Where and how do we drop off and pick up?

- All classes will enter through the main double gates and exit via the Manor Road or Dog Lane gate. This will repeat at the end of the school day.
- Families MUST stay together and walk as a family whilst around or on school grounds. Parents MUST make sure their family stays together please.















- Parents must remain next to and move along the edge of the school field and not approach
 entrance doors. There will be members of staff available on the gate/yard ready to assist and
 take any messages to pass on to teachers that cannot be sent via Class Dojo.
- If your child is upset please step out of the line to a safe space away from other families until your child is ready to enter.
- All Year 6 children with permission to walk home alone will leave at 3.15pm. A parental consent form will be sent out and must be completed.
- One adult only at drop off and pick up please.

See images below for guidance:







In continuing to ensure we all remain safe, please















Social distance from each other and staff at drop off and pick up. Please leave the school immediately after drop off and pick up refraining from gathering on the yard or at gates. You will be asked to move on and please be considerate of others who may be walking past.

Wear a mask on and around school premises. If you are exempt, please let a member of staff know. You will be asked by staff to wear a mask.

What will school be like in September?

- We will all wash/sanitise our hands frequently.
- Children will be taught and have frequent reminders about hand washing and cleanliness.
- There will be some reduced movement around school, no whole school gatherings (yet) and staggered timings for pick up, breaktimes and lunch.
- Each class will remain together in the same room or wider learning areas each day.
- Children do not need to wear masks.
- A limited number of staff will move between bubbles in order to carry out their role effectively. This will be kept to a minimum wherever possible.
- Staff will wear masks in communal areas as required.
- Increased cleaning measures remain.
- Children who attend Breakfast and After School Club will mix with children from other classes. This cannot be avoided and we aim to mitigate this as much as we are able to by groupings, enhanced cleaning and location.

What does my child need to bring to school in September?

- Your child will need to bring in a coat and water bottle each day as well as a packed lunch if they are not having a school lunch.
- Once your child receives a Reading Book and Reading Diary, these will be carried in a plastic Book Bag provided by school.
- Your child should not need to bring in a school bag unless by prior arrangement with your child's teacher.
- Further class specific information will be detailed in the class newsletter.

What happens at lunchtime?

- The new menu from our catering team, Chartwells, will be sent out at the start of term.
- The children will return to eating their lunch in the Hall. Every effort will continue to be made to minimise contact between classes and additional hygiene measures are in place.
- If your child is bringing in their own packed lunch, a lunch box or bag can be used but MUST be washed/wiped out daily. Lunches can continue to be in a disposable bag as an alternative. Please ensure you provide a drink with the packed lunch.

Is snack available at breaktime?

 Snack options will be available each morning breaktime. This must be paid for using the School Money system each week. A reminder will be sent out weekly to pay for the week ahead.

What about School Uniform?

 Uniform must be worn, hair tied back, no make-up (including nail varnish) or jewellery except small plain stud earrings and a watch if required. Hairbands and other hair items need to be kept simple. No large coloured bows.















- Please ensure you follow the school uniform requirements especially on plain black shoes/trainers. See the School Uniform and PE Kit Reminder attached.
- On PE days (your child's teacher will let you know when this is), your child needs to come in their PE kit. We will not be changing at school.

Is Breakfast and After School Club available?

- All bookings for Breakfast and After School Club should be through School Money. Please
 contact the School Office on admin@nantwichprimaryacademy.co.uk for any queries regarding
 bookings for Breakfast and After School Club.
- The Club will be based in the school Hall for at least the first half term so that the children can
 distance as much as possible. Drop off and pick off will be from the door adjacent to the school
 car park. Please ring the bell.

How will I be kept up to date?

NPAs website is a good information point for school news and year group information. This will
be kept up to date once we return in September. Information will also be sent out electronically
via email and/or Class Dojo. Some paper based letters will be sent as needed however it is
important to regularly check email and Class Dojo accounts.

What if my child or a member of my family is unwell?

 A separate information sheet will be provided once we return to school in September detailing actions to take if your child or a family member is unwell. In the first instance Government Guidance is followed. You MUST inform school immediately.

It is understandable that you may have some worries about returning to school and I want to assure you that, as a team, we will continue to support all our families as we come back together for the new school year.

We have planned carefully for the September opening, ensuring that we do this as safely as possible, following the guidance that has been given to us by the DfE and also St Bart's Multi Academy Trust. The safety of our school community is a priority.

As always, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01270 902055 or admin@nantwichprimaryacademy.co.uk

Thank you for supporting NPA by continuing to follow our precautionary measures and as we settle back in we are hopeful that other measures will be lifted too.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon,

Mrs Spence (Principal)













