

26/02/2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you to each and every one of you for your support with online schooling over the past weeks.

Changes to the school day

The school day will continue to be slightly different for all year groups and the way that parents and carers drop off and pick up will remain the same as it was in term 2. Safety is paramount to everything that we do and I will not deviate from my goal which is to ensure that every single child and adult is as safe as possible while attending Drove. However, I want to reassure you that there will be **no loss of face-to-face time that your child has with their teacher** and to account for the changes at the start and end of the school day, lunch time will be slightly reduced.

I have decided to bring back **2 year groups at a time starting on Monday 8th March**. This is to ensure that we can show each year group what the routines will be during the school day and to share our expectations. Below is the timetable for the ***first 3 days**. Each year group will have 1 allocated day in school before school is open for all year groups on Thursday 11th March. **Where children are not in school learning they will be expected to log on to teams for their online learning following their usual timetable.**

*First 3 Days

	Drop Off - Merlin playground (Southampton Street gate)	Start / Finish	Drop Off - Aldi playground (Plymouth Street gate)	Start / Finish
<u>SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS ON FRIDAY 5TH MARCH AND THERE WILL BE NO ONLINE LEARNING ON THAT DAY.</u>				
Monday 8 th March	Year 1	8.45 am/3.30pm	Year 2	8.30am/3.15pm
Tuesday 9 th March	Year 3	8.45 am/3.30pm	Year 5	8.45 am/3.30pm
Wednesday 10 th March	Year 4	8.30am/3.15pm	Year 6	8.30am/3.15pm

Drop off - arriving at school will follow the same routine as in term 2 with two start times:

Years 2, 4, 6 will start school at 8.30am and finish at 3.15pm

Years 1,3, 5 will start school at 8.45am and finish at 3.30pm

On Fridays school drop off will be at the same time but school pick up will be at 12.45pm (Year R, 2, 4, 6) and 1pm (1,3,5).

Nursery and Reception details and timings have been sent in a separate letter.

Children will not be able to bring scooters/ bikes to school and leave them on site. If children use their bike or scooter to get to school, these will need to be taken home by parents.

Pick up – leaving school

At the end of the school day **parents will arrive at the Aldi gate on Plymouth Street** at the allocated pick up time queuing socially distanced and wearing a mask. Parents will then follow the one way system and file past the children's lines. Children will be directed to join their parents and continue walking. **The exit point will be the Merlin Gate on Southampton Street.** If parents are meeting siblings the same process will apply for each year group. If a sibling has a different pick up time parents will continue to exit the school and return to the Aldi Gate for the second pick up. Timings need to be adhered to for everyone's safety.

Take care and thank you again for supporting us all at Drove.

Dr Capstick

Principal
Drove Primary School

Frequently Asked Questions:

If my child has two different pick up and drop of times can they have the same time?

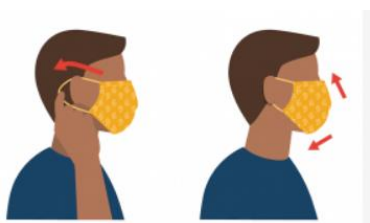
No. The drop off and pick up time is specific to each child's year group. This is to keep everyone as safe as possible. Only one adult should pick up or drop off.

Can I enter the playground to drop off my child?

No. All children will be dropped off at the school gate. There will be lots of adults from school to make sure they get to their correct line and help children if they need it.

Does my child have to wear uniform?

Yes. School uniform will be worn by all children in Year R to Year 6.



Wear your Face Covering Correctly

- Wash your hands before putting on your face covering
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face
- Make sure you can breathe easily

Wear a Face Covering to Protect Others

- Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected with COVID-19 but don't have symptoms
- Wear a face covering in public settings when around people who don't live in your household, especially when it may be difficult for you to stay six feet apart
- Wear a face covering correctly for maximum protection
- **Do not** put the face covering around your neck or up on your forehead
- **Do not** touch the face covering, and, if you do, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to disinfect
- **Do not share** or try on other people's masks.



What does my child wear on a PE day?

A child wears their PE kit in to school. They do not need to wear or bring in school uniform on that day.