



John of Gaunt Infant & Nursery School

Part of the Aylsham Learning Federation

August 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you are all enjoying your summer holidays and that you have all made the most of the lovely weather.

Thank you for your patience in waiting for this information about returning to school in September. I was aware that the government may make changes in the middle of August and I was keen not to tell you something only to have to change it again! As with everything guidance is still subject to change and local impacts may also make changes necessary at any point. However, as things stand at the moment this is our plan for return and your guidance about it.

The guidance is very clear that all children are to return to school now as the government sees that the risk of the virus is lower. We are therefore looking forward to welcoming all our new children and welcoming back our existing children to start their new school year. We have spent many hours getting school ready and planning for their return to make sure that everything is within the guidance and as safe as we can make it.

You will see from the start of the guidance that it highlights when we are asking the children to return and also the timings of the school day. We have tried hard to make this as practicable as possible for you as parents but at the same time recognising that we need to get a lot of children and adults on to the site and that this needs to be managed. Although we have altered the start and finish times, the overall amount of learning time is not reduced for any child and we have shortened the lunch break to accommodate this.

There is a lot of information in the guidance and whilst I know that you will all take time to read through it, I am also aware that you will have questions or areas that you need more clarification on. I have therefore set up a series of 'zoom' meetings which I would urge you to attend. Ideally you would attend the one for your child's year group but if this is not possible then feel free to join one of the other ones. If you have a child in more than one year group, you will only need to attend one meeting! It is always lovely to see people's faces when you are talking to them but I am happy for people to attend with cameras off. However, I will ask you to flick your camera on so that I can see you briefly. This is for safeguarding purposes and to ensure that we only have people on the zoom call who are part of our school community.

Nursery zoom meeting: Friday 4th September 9.30am

Meeting ID: 889 7066 8481

Passcode: 310287

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88970668481?pwd=dE5jR2UzNnNrdlluMzgvUFQ2aFBXZz09>

Executive Headteacher: Mr D Spalding B.A. (Hons) M.Ed. (Cantab)

Head of School: Mrs C Toplis B.A. Ed (Hons)

Senior Leadership: Mrs R Farmer B.A. (Hons), Miss M Bullock B.A. (Hons)

Director of Business and Community Strategy: Mrs J Tuttle Finance Director: Mrs T Colman



Reception zoom meeting: Monday 7th September 4pm

Meeting ID: 827 1518 4562

Passcode: 364297

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82715184562?pwd=SOIRaUVKMTZpcythRWQ4djhhUXV5Zz09>

Year 1 zoom meeting: Friday 4th September 3.30pm

Meeting ID: 853 0615 2683

Passcode: 295209

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85306152683?pwd=NWt5MVhwMTI6NGxZREN2RjdiblBndz09>

Year 2 zoom meeting: Thursday 3rd September 3.30pm

Meeting ID: 889 5586 7128

Passcode: 650204

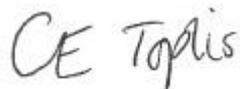
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You do not need to have a zoom account to join the meeting. You can either click on the link in this letter or enter the meeting ID and password in to zoom.

Please do take time to read through the guidance carefully and then I look forward to seeing you or meeting you at one of our zoom meetings.

Enjoy the rest of your holiday.



Clare Toplis