



Newsletter



TAMESIDE
PRIMARY ACADEMY

Summer 2 – July 2021

Dear families

What a year! From lockdowns, to face masks, to football almost coming home. I thought at the end of last year we wouldn't get another disrupted year but I was severely wrong. Despite the challenges faced, the children in our school are a credit to each and every one of you. We continue to make progress in many areas across the Academy in order to make school the best it can be, both inside and outside. We really are making progress and changing lives for the better together.

Thank you again for your support during what have been difficult times over the last 18 months. Let's hope that brighter times are coming and that tomorrow will be a good day.

Mr M Hill
Principal

Years 5 and 6—Walking home alone

Please note that Years 5 and 6 will receive letters for parents to allow children to walk home independently. This is an optional extra and is signed up for by parents using their own judgement and discretion. There is no obligation to sign up, it is a parental choice. However, children will not be released without a signed consent form. Any reports of poor behaviour while walking home may result in consent being withdrawn.



As restrictions across the country have been lifted, from **Monday 6th September**, Tameside Primary Academy will revert back to start and finish times that are in line with 'pre-pandemic' times. We will still utilise both the **Price Road** and **Walton Road** entrances/exits for families to use, but start times and finish times will not be staggered. We do ask for children to walk to their classrooms independently in years 4,5 and 6 meaning that parents should not be near entrances and exits beyond the gates at drop off times. Please see the table below for start times, finish times and also locations . Please also note, if Government restrictions do change, we will contact parents in good time. Please activate your Class Dojo notifications as we don't want important messages being missed if arrangements change.

Year group	Start time	Location	Pick up time	Location
Nursery	8.40	Nursery doors	11.40	Nursery doors
Reception	8.40	Reception class doors	3.15	Reception doors
Year 1	8.40	Year 1 door	3.20	Year 1 doors
Year 2	8.40	Year 2 doors near the ramp	3.20	Year 2 doors near the ramp
Year 3	8.40	Year 3 door	3.20	Key Stage 2 playground
Year 4	8.40	Central Year 4 door	3.20	Key Stage 2 playground
Year 5	8.40	Year 5 door (the old year 6 door)	3.20	Year 5 door (the old year 6 door) – if being collected
Year 6	8.40	Year 6 block (the old year 5 door/ block).	3.20	Key Stage 2 playground - if being collected.

Breakfast club

Breakfast Club will start up in its original sense from the Monday 6th September. It will start at 7.45am and finishes when school starts. The cost is £3 per child per day. Please contact the school office if you require further information.

School site

Over the holidays, school will be having a lot of internal and external works going on. These include further internal decoration and improvement, and even a new roof in some parts of the school. In September, I look forward to welcoming you on site to take a look.

Attendance books, spelling prizes and a treat!

This term's attendance books will be given out on Monday 19th July. This will be followed by a visit by the ice cream man, so please make sure your child is in school so they don't miss out. Spelling prizes will also be given out to the children too. (There are not any charges for parents for any of this.)

School meals

We will resume a full lunch service from 6th September also where hot lunches (school meals) will be served in the dining room and packed lunches in the packed lunch hall. If you think you qualify for free school meals, please follow the link below. There is information and also the chance to fill in the form online. This should take no longer than 3 minutes to fill in. Alternatively, google search 'free school meals Sandwell' and follow the links.

https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200151/education_benefits/2176/free_school_meals

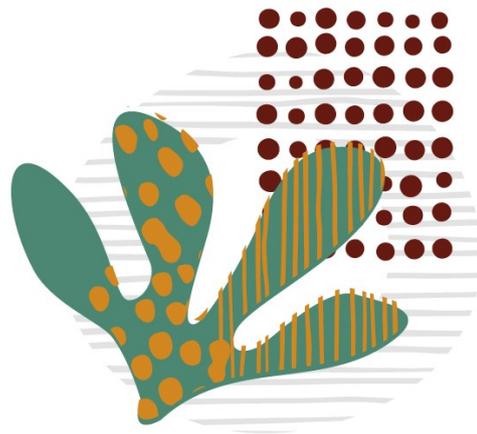
Good bye and Hello!

Very recently this year, Mrs Williams has gone on maternity leave. We await news of her new and exciting arrival!

Mrs Deery will also be going on maternity leave in September. We will keep you updated on her new arrival too.

We do also say good bye to our fantastic Year 6 cohort. A wonderful year group who will be missed by many members of staff across the Academy. They have completed their studies with both integrity and diligence. We ask that our current Year 6 collect their gifts from school on 1st September (Walton Road gates).

We have some new staff arriving at Tameside too. We welcome Mrs Ruston into Reception, Miss Gayden into Year 1 and also Miss Lewis into Year 2. They cannot wait to start at Tameside and are all very excited about starting with our brilliant children. I'm sure we will all welcome them to Tameside.



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