



1st December 2023

Dear Parents & Carers

Just a quick note about making the best start to the school day for all students and to clarify the arrangements and expectations for students as they arrive in the morning. Firstly, can I remind all parents and carers that the school site opens for students at 8.15am. Prior to this we do not have staff supervision in place and so unless students have a specific appointment with a member of staff or agreed organised activity they should not be on the school site before this time.

To ensure students are only on site when they are able to be safely supervised, from Monday we will be introducing a single point of entry onto the school site for students. This will be the pedestrian gate adjoining Hamsey Green Primary School. On arrival students will be directed to areas where duty supervision is in place. This will be The Crunch area and Main Hall for students in Years 7, 8 and 9 and the Fire Drill playground or A3 for students in Year 10 and 11. Thank you for ensuring that your child is aware of this and arrives at the correct time and makes their way to the correct place.

Just a reminder too, that in this cold weather students should all be wearing warm coats over their full uniform. You'd be surprised how many students are still coming to school without a coat in the current cold snap – so please remind them. My youngest son is terrible for forgetting this, especially in a hurry in the morning, so we have a post it on the front door as a reminder! Students are not allowed to wear hooded tops and non-uniform jumpers, but really should – in the cold and sometimes wet weather - be wearing coats, gloves and scarves if they are cold.

Finally, it was great to meet with parents at our parents forum on Wednesday this week and to share and discuss the behaviour approaches we are using at school and the values that underpin them. I am really conscious of how important it is that we work together and provide as many opportunities to meet in person as possible in the future and will be doing more parents forums and face to face parents evenings and events in the Spring term.

Have a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards

Mr P Foster

Headteacher