



Ham Dingle Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

I hope that you and your families have had a restful and enjoyable summer and have managed to do some of the lovely things that we have been missing over the past 18 months!

All of the staff have been back in school since Thursday taking part in training and getting the classrooms ready to welcome you all back for a new school year.

After all of the disruptions to our children's learning caused by lockdowns and restrictions, we are determined that this academic year will be one where we can renew our purpose and have an absolute focus on excellence in education, ensuring every child at Ham Dingle is on the road to success from day 1.

We have worked hard to develop an exciting new curriculum which uses evidence-led practices to deliver high quality teaching and learning in every classroom. We will be sharing more information about this soon but there is already some information on the school website.

Our latest **Risk Assessment, Recovery Plan, Covid 19 Outbreak Management Plan** and **Continuity of Learning Plan** can all be found on the front page of the [school website](#) under the **Covid 19 Information bar**. Although the majority of the restrictions imposed over the last year have now been removed, we are proceeding with caution in order to optimise attendance and keep everyone safe.

Please take some time to read the new rules for isolating as there is no longer an expectation for families or classes to stay at home if someone tests positive.

Our arrival/drop off times are now **8.40-8.50 am**. Lessons will start promptly at 8.50am so we expect everyone to have arrived by then and the gates will be locked. Please note that both the main gate and the gate that leads onto Ham Lane will now be open for entry and exit as the one-way system is no longer needed. Staff will be on the gates and the playground to support children when they arrive but classteachers will not be available to talk to parents in the mornings. They will however be more than happy to call you during the day if you leave a message with the member of staff on morning duty or the office.

We are all looking forward to welcoming the children back and getting started on an exciting year. Look out for the Friday Flyer at the end of the week for the latest news, enjoy the last day of the holidays and we will see you in the morning.

Wishing you well.

Yours faithfully

Deb Hunt

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Executive Headteacher: Miss M Green

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