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Dear Parents/Carers

At this time of year, we usually write to parents of children in Year 2 to help prepare your child before the move from infants into juniors in September. These details can also be found in the Parent Handbook which you were given when your child joined the school.

- School starts at the normal time of 8.40 am for all pupils. Instead of dropping your child off in the infant playground, from September you should say goodbye to them at the car park gates and they will then walk around to the junior playground where they will be supervised by a member of staff. Alternatively, you can drop your child at the drop off point and they can walk into school themselves.
- The school day ends at 3.15 pm for juniors, however, we do suggest that you come no earlier than 3.15pm as it takes the children a little while to leave the classrooms and walk around the building. It also helps free up the car park from the earlier infant departures. Children will be brought around the side of the building to the double gates by their teachers who will release them to you.
- Children are expected to be much more responsible as they move higher up the school. We would appreciate it if you could remind your child to hand in letters promptly, remember their equipment/PE kits/water bottles and to be generally more self-organised. This will help their transition further up the school in the long term. Juniors should bring a small pencil case into school with pencils, rubber, ruler and colouring pencils etc - no felt tip pens please.
- As an infant, your child has been used to being one of the first classes to go in for lunch. We operate a rota system in the juniors which means that your child will go out to play first and then must listen for the whistle to be blown and their class name called before going into lunch. Please could you talk this through with your child so they know what to do in September. As your child will no longer be eligible for 'Universal Free School Meals', please note that meals, should you wish to continue, will be charged at £2.70 from September 2023. We offer the same menu choices that you are currently familiar with so we would urge you to make your selections as soon as possible.
- Children in juniors are encouraged to wear trainers rather than plimsolls for PE should they wish.

Should you have any further queries about the transition into juniors, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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