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Dear Parents,

After a 2020 that none of us could have predicted, we finally reach the end of the 2019-20 academic year. School closes its doors to all pupils, including those of Key Workers on Thursday 16th July at 3.15pm

The immediacy of lockdown and the ever-changing government guidance has presented many logistical challenges but I do feel we have risen to these circumstances. Our children have always been at the heart of our planning and that is why I was keen to have as many as possible back into school before the summer break. My only disappointment is that we have not seen pupils in Nursery, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4. I would like to think they have still been well catered for in their remote learning.

The staff have continued to work hard during lockdown, supervising Key Worker children in groups and planning for on-line activities through Purple Mash and other learning resources. I would like to thank all of the staff for their efforts that has allowed us to navigate the many challenges presented by external forces. A very many of them have gone above and beyond for which I am very grateful. Please find in this envelope a postcard to your child from their new class teacher.

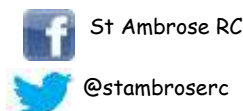
As to September, there will remain stringent safety measures in place and classes will be taught in whole class bubbles. School will function differently in this new normal. Please read this information carefully to help us open safely. I am sorry for what looks like a list of rules, but school is not allowed to open unless government guidance is followed.

What to expect in September?

- School attendance is compulsory. The government will fine parents promptly for non-attendance of pupils
- Punctuality is critical. We will not take children into school who are late. Parents must arrive at their allocated time
- School uniform is compulsory
- Parents are not allowed to enter the building. The office is open, but social distancing rules will apply. If you need to speak to a teacher, you must contact the office



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- There will be breakfast and after school provision. **Places must be booked at least 24hrs in advance.** After school club must be paid for in advance
- There will be different start and end times for classes. Please note your child's start time and collection time and point of entry. Parent must leave the premises as quickly as possible

September Class & Teacher	Start Time	End Time	Where
Nursery. Mrs Grundy	Separate arrangements made for our new children. Parents contacted directly		
Rec. Miss Iveson	8.45am	3.15pm	Green gate from car park
Y1. Miss Jameson	9.00am	3.30pm	Line up by red door under shelter
Y2. Miss Barnett	8.45am	3.15pm	Line up by red door under shelter
Y3. Mrs Smith	9.00am	3.30pm	Line up by red door nearest to office
Y4. Mr Cunningham & Mrs Murphy	8.45am	3.15pm	Line up by red door nearest to office
Y5. Miss Gibbons	9.00am	3.30pm	Line up by the cage
Y6. Mr Edwards	8.45am	3.15pm	Line up by the cage

One of the many things I love about St Ambrose are its school values, the people and the strength of the relationships at their core. It is also the warmth and supportive nature of the community. Since March I have been extremely grateful for the many parents who have supported or encouraged us, particularly during some difficult times. I want to say a big thank you for your positivity, warmth and encouragement that has meant so much. I know we can continue to work together in this new normal!

I would like to say a very big thank you and goodbye to our wonderful Y6 class. It is such a shame that they couldn't celebrate at the end of the year, but we will be inviting them back in September for a party, which I hope they can all attend. I am very much looking forward to it.

I would like to wish all our parents and carers the very best for the next couple of months, whatever that might look like for your family. I do hope that the summer treats you well and that your loved ones continue to be safe.

God bless,

Mrs Ruth Vayro



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