



Covid 19 Tests:

Please follow this link:

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

'Inspired to be the best that I can be'



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now welcomed our new Reception children into 'Big School' and it has been wonderful to see their little smiling faces as they have taken everything in their stride. They have settled so very well which must be a great relief to their families.

To those of you who are new parents with us, can I officially welcome you to our Vaynor family and we look forward to working in partnership with you, even if we are in somewhat unusual times at present.

Our children have returned demonstrating such confidence, resilience and empathy towards one another since their return as they have readjusted to being back in school. We are so proud of them and I'm sure you all are too.

We started the year with an overall whole school attendance figure of 95.7% and this week this has risen further to 97.2%. Can I thank you all for providing clarity on the reasons for your child's absence as outlined in our Covid-19 Family Agreement and for your understanding when we have needed to seek further clarification. It is very much appreciated as **we all have a part to play in keeping our school community safe and in ensuring that our school remains open for the benefit of all.**

Please ensure that you do not arrive on the site until the time of your drop off, where you should all be **maintaining social distancing and children should remain by your side at all times.**

Now school has returned to our 'new normal', can I take this opportunity to remind you that our school office opens at 8.30am and closes at 4pm from Monday to Friday. Therefore, any emails, telephone calls or messages received will only be responded to within these working hours.

MYEd App



We still have 37 families not signed up for the MyEd app. This is our main method of communication to you, so I would urge you all to make sure that you have download it as without it you could be missing vital information.

Hints and tips!

- Only priority one contacts have a link to the student
- You must use the same phone number that you have given for the priority 1 contact.
- You must go into phone settings to allow notifications so that you receive a message alert

We also have a number of inactive users; this occurs when 3 or more messages are not read. Can we ask parents to just go into the app at least weekly to ensure your account stays active.

Application for Reception places for September 2021

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 you need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2021. This needs to be completed using the online system:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you do not have internet access, please call 01905 822700 for assistance.

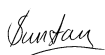
The closing date for both first and middle school places is 15th January 2021



This little cutie is
Alena Michelle Walker

Congratulations to Mr Walker and his wife Lucy on their beautiful bundle of joy. Please be patient with Mr Walker as he adjusts to Assistant Headship and sleepless nights!

Kind Regards,



Mrs. Sallyanne Dunstan
Headteacher

PLEASE CHECK - DO YOU QUALIFY?

During this period the circumstances of many families have changed and therefore you may now be eligible for the income based Free School Meals. Please note that this is different to the free meals that all Reception, Year 1 and 2 children are entitled to when school is open. It also entitles you to other financial assistance. If you are at all unsure, please click on the link below to see if you qualify.

http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/684/applying_for_free_school_meals/2