

NORTHMEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Friday 28th January, 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

Updated pick-up and onsite arrangements for Kindergarten 2022

As you may be aware, we are entering the new school year with similar restrictions to what were in place during Term 4, 2021. These restrictions include the cohorting of groups of children, restricting the contact between children of different ages across the school. In line with these guidelines, we have had to move the Kindergarten pick-up time from 2.45pm to 2.30pm. This new pick-up time will take effect from Tuesday 1st February (our first orientation day) and will continue until further notice. Please note, that for the three orientation days, children will need to be picked up by a parent or carer as NOOSH or sibling pick-up will not be available. The procedure for picking up your children remains the same as in previous correspondence and is outlined below.

At the end of the day, children will be brought to the pick-up area which is accessible from the Klein's Road gate at **2.30pm**. Unfortunately, parents will need to wait outside the gate and wait to be directed by a member of staff, to come and collect their children, who will wait with their teacher until a parent or carer arrives.

Morning drop-off arrangements will remain the same, with children being dropped off at the Klein's Road gate to be met by a member of staff, at their allocated time, for their orientation days. Further information relating to drop-off times for their official first day (Monday 7th February) will be provided, once 2022 classes have been finalised.

You may also be aware that the new guidelines allow for two parents to accompany their Kindergarten child onsite for their first day of school. We are excited to welcome you into the school, however we do ask that you please adhere to the following procedure in order to keep our school community as safe as possible. There will be a photo area set up near the gate, where you will be able to stop and have a photo with your child. You may then accompany them to their new 2022 classroom and help them to hang up their bag and say goodbye. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have parents inside the classrooms and ask that parents move quickly off site once they have farewelled their child. Whilst we understand that it can be difficult for both parents and children to separate, from our experience we find that a quick goodbye makes for a smoother transition overall.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Kind Regards,

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