

STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL

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A "Sense of Pride"

Dear Parents,

I think it's fair to say that all pupils and families will remember this academic year at SPJS! We have been so impressed with how children have managed to work at home and adapt to Google Classroom so quickly. It has certainly reignited pupil's motivation and brought the SPJS community back together, and we have enjoyed seeing lots of high quality work. Thank you to all our parents who have become teachers overnight whilst still doing their usual jobs.

Our Year 6 leavers also won't forget their final year at SPJS. Of course, that might not be for the reasons we would have originally wanted but these tricky last few months have tested many of the fantastic qualities we have seen develop in our Year 6 over their time at SPJS - such as resilience and sense of pride - and we are proud to see that they have grown into thoughtful, responsible citizens. Even after lockdown, when things have been difficult with extensive changes and new conditions at school, they have come back so happy and willing to adapt. It has turned what could have been an anxious time into a pleasure. More importantly, this mature attitude demonstrates our leavers' complete readiness for the move to high school, where I have no doubt they will flourish.

So although this Year 6 has had a slightly different final-year experience than past leavers, and although there was no Isle of Wight trip, I hope they'll have happy memories of our year 6 water fight, our 'virtual' end of year production, and four wonderful years at SPJS. We will miss them but we are excited to hear about their next adventures!

Moving onto September, we're looking forward to welcoming all children back to school on Thursday 3rd September. Government guidance is due to be updated on 11th August, so we will send you full details of our reopening after this date. However, we thought it would be good to update you with timings for September as they currently stand.

Drop Off and Pick Up

As shared in my last letter, we will be staggering pick up and drop off times. We thought it would be useful for you to know what our intended pick up and drop off times will be. There will be staggered starts and exits at three different entry points to the school.

On arrival at your designated school gate, please observe social distancing of 2m. Whilst children do not have to strictly adhere to being socially distant from each other, there is still a requirement that adults keep their distance. Unfortunately, in accordance with Government guidance, we are not allowed any adults onto the school premises without a

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prior arranged appointment. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher, please email the office.

	Playground Gate via Infants' Playground	Pedestrian Gate by Centenary Hall	Double Gates by staff car par (back of boys' toilets)
8.30 am (pick-up at 3pm)	6J	6S	6P
8.40 am (pick-up 3.10pm)	5S	5P	5J
8.50 am (pick up 3.20pm)	4P	4J	4S
9 am (pick up 3.30pm)	3J	3S	3P

Please ensure that your child arrives at their designated time.

We are more than happy for Y5/6 children to come/leave school by themselves. However, if you would like them to be accompanied, it can only be by one adult. We strongly advise that children avoid using public transport. If your child previously had permission to walk home this is still valid. **If you haven't previously given permission, but would like your child to walk home alone, please email the school office so we can update our records prior to Tuesday 1st September.**

Attendance

Attendance will be mandatory in September, as the Government expects all pupils to attend school. Attendance will be followed up in the usual way. If your child will be absent from school, please ensure you leave a message on the absence line stating your child's name, class and reason for absence.

If your child has been staying at home due to the current shielding guidance, the Government is due to pause this guidance on 1 August if there's a continued decline in coronavirus transmission rates. That means they should be able to come to school in September.

However, if you've received clinical or public health advice that your children should still remain at home even in September, please let us know by emailing office@spjs.org and continue to follow that guidance. We'll be offering remote education to these pupils.

Wrap Around Care

We have been working with SPIS breakfast club and hope to have this provision up and running in September. Mrs Warren will be in contact with families who have already made contact with her about this shortly.

We have also had meetings with Jancett about reopening and are awaiting the director's decision as to whether they are able to open. We hope to hear from them shortly.

Initially we are unable to run any indoor after school activities and clubs run by SPJS staff. This will be reviewed after half term. JDS football club however, is able to offer

football coaching to Y3 and 4 on a Thursday and Y5 and 6 on a Friday. Letters will be put on our website shortly.

Uniform/Equipment

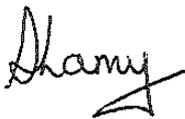
All children will be required to return to school in full and correct uniform (named), including proper black school shoes (no trainers). They should also bring with them a named water bottle so they can drink throughout the day, and a small pencil case with all the required equipment. Full details of the required uniform and stationery can be found by following this link. <https://www.spjs.org/uniform.php>

In mid-August, following the updated Government advice on 11th August, we will send you more detailed guidance for you and your child to read and look at prior to returning to school.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office email office@spjs.org.

For now, relax and enjoy a fantastic summer break with your family. If you are looking for something different to do over the holidays, why not enjoy some photography and learn about taking some forced perspective photography (full details can be found on the Thinking Shed in Google Classroom). Alternatively your child may want to take part in the Summer Holiday Experience passport and keep a scrap book of their adventures. Again, full details can be found on Google Classroom and attached for ease.

We can't wait to see you all in September.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mrs Lamy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Mrs Lamy
Headteacher