QUEEN ELIZABETH II PRIMARY (Pomeroy) SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

Today the Department of Education provided further guidance regarding the restart of schools. I have attached two items of correspondence which schools have been asked to share with parents. Please do set aside time to read these carefully.

All staff met today to discuss the issued guidance. This process will continue next week as we work through the document to apply the guidance to our school setting.

The following outlines the days pupils are required to attend school

24th August	P7		
25 th	P7		
26 th	P7		
27 th	P7		
28 th	P7	P1	
1st September	P7 &P6	P1	P3
2 nd	P7 & P5	P2	P4
3 rd	P5, P6 & P7	P1&P2	P3 &P4
4 th	P5, P6 & P7	P1 & P2	P3 & P4
7 th	Full return of all pupils		

Changes to school day

To allow for the additional cleaning of toys/resources, adjustments have been made to the school day.

School will now start for <u>all pupils</u> at 8.55 a.m. each morning. Pupils will be supervised from 8.45 a.m. Please note the school is not responsible for pupils arriving before 8.45 a.m. – even if they arrive due to the bus. Generally, the bus driver works with the school to ensure pupils are not arriving any earlier than 8.45 a.m. <u>School will now finish at 2pm each Friday for all pupils</u>. This will be reviewed again at half term.

Movement of items from home to school

The guidance issued today states,

"schools should also consider discouraging or prohibiting children from bringing anything from home and, at the end of each school day, limiting/preventing shared resources from being taken home"

As a result we ask that each pupil brings the following to school on their first day:

P1-P4

A4 zip plastic folder

Pencil case, pencils, sharpener, colouring pencils, rubber, glue stick, 15cm ruler

P5-P7

A4 zip plastic folder

Pencil case, pencils, sharpener, colouring pencils, rubber, glue stick, 30cm ruler, pair of scissors

Please be aware that the pencil case and contents will be kept in school. Each pupil will be given a tray, which their belongings can be stored in. Please also ensure your child has a small packet of tissues to be kept in school.

Your child will **not** require a school bag or a lunch box. The <u>limited</u> items which will come from home to school will be carried in a plastic bag. More information will follow on this next week.

In the meantime, we look forward to meeting P1 parents on Thursday 20th August at 7pm

I will be in touch again next week with further information

Kind regards

S Robinson