



Dear Parent/ Carer

As we reach the end of the first week of Year 6 pupils being back in school, I wanted to update you on the plans going forward. The familiarisation days have been a success and the pupils have already started to adapt to the new systems in school. It has been a joy to see so many happy faces with the children enjoying catching up with their peers and teachers. The staff have all worked exceptionally hard to prepare the school for the return of more pupils and the week has gone very well.

Attendance

From Monday 8th June, all pupils who are currently in our groups will attend school every day. They will arrive and depart at the same times they did this week (details below). The pupils should wear their PE kit for the full day on the day stated below. On other days, we ask that the pupils wear their school uniform which should be washed regularly (daily, if possible). The teachers will be taking daily registers; please contact the school office before 9am if your child is not attending school.

If your child arrives at school early, they should head to their arrival yard where they will be guided to wait in separate lines away from other groups.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Arrival Time</u>	<u>Arrival Yard</u>	<u>Departure Time</u>	<u>PE Kit Day</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
Red	8.45	Year 5 Yard	3.20	Thursday	Mrs Alderson/ Mrs Bond
Orange	8.45	Year 6 Yard	3.20	Wednesday	Miss Barnett/ Ms Carruthers
Yellow	9.00	Year 5 Yard	3.25	Wednesday	Mr Stephenson/ Mr Holdsworth
Green	9.00	Year 6 Yard	3.25	Tuesday	Mr Gaines/ Miss Lawton
Blue	9.15	Year 5 Yard	3.30	Monday	Miss Kingett/ Mr Armstrong
Purple	9.15	Year 6 Yard	3.30	Monday	Mr Johnson/ Mrs Ferraro

Lunches

The canteen is open and serving daily hot food – the pupils have enjoyed their school lunches this week. School lunches are priced at £2.50 per day for two courses. Your child is welcome to bring their own packed lunch should they wish. From Monday 8th June, we will be operating a new online pre-ordering system. Please follow this [link to an online survey](#) for ordering for next week. The

survey must be returned by **9am on Monday**. All payments will be automatically taken from your child's School Gateway account so they should not need to bring cash to school. If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply via Northumberland County Council by:

- Online: www.northumberland.gov.uk/fsm
- By telephone: 01670 623 592
- Paper applications – these can be returned upon completion to: Free School Meals Office, Northumberland County Council, Wansbeck Square, Ashington, NE63 9XL

Supporting Pupils

It has been fantastic for us to see so many of our Year 6 pupils this week. We are here to support them as they make their return to school life. We recognise that children may have been affected by this period of lockdown. We would ask that you advise school of any specific relevant information regarding your child's health and wellbeing before your child returns. This will allow us to support your child in their time back at school.

Contacting school

Should you wish to talk to someone from school, please call the main office or email (admin@hexhammiddle.org.uk) and your correspondence will be directed to the relevant staff member who will get back to you. If you need to visit the school site, please call ahead to arrange an appointment or enter the main reception one person at a time. Thank you for your support with this.

Should you have any questions about the Year 6 provision, please contact us at any time. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Watters

Assistant Headteacher