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Dear Families

We hope that this letter finds you and your family well. It has been a long five months without seeing our academy full of its usual vibrancy, and as it is for us, I am sure your attention will now be turning to next week and the start of a new academic year.

In July, we wrote to you outlining how we expect the re-opening of our academy will work. This week, the risk assessment has been reviewed and we remain confident that our plans will enable us to welcome back all our children as safely as possible.

You can read our re-opening plans again in full on our website here:

<https://www.samuelbarlowprimary-ac.org.uk/september-re-opening-update/>

A reminder of our return to academy timings:

Year group	Start date and time
Academy closed to all children for staff training and development	Tuesday 1 September – all day
Gold class (Nursery) AM	Wednesday 2 nd September 8.50am-11.50am
Gold class (Nursery) PM	Thursday 3 rd September 12.20pm-3.20pm
Gold class (Nursery) 30 hours	Friday 4 th September 8.50am-3.20pm
Pink and Violet class (Reception)	Thursday 3 rd September 9am-3.30pm
Purple, Indigo and Blue class (Years 1 and 2)	Friday 4 th September 8.55am-3.25pm
Green and Yellow class (Years 3 and 4)	Thursday 3 rd September 8.40am-3.10pm
Orange and Red class (Years 5 and 6)	Wednesday 2 nd September 8.30am-3pm

If you have children in multiple in classes, please bring the children to their earliest class first and then take the others straight to their doors where members of staff will be to greet them to their classes. All children will be in and learning by 9am. Breakfast club will begin w/c 7th September and further details will be provided next week.

We've been very busy making arrangements to welcome children back to school and we are sure they will settle back quickly into new routines and systems. It is very important that we have up to date contact details for families if you could please ensure that your information is up to date should we need to get in touch. You can update your details online here: <https://www.samuelbarlowprimary-ac.org.uk/admissions/new-starter-documents/pupil-data-collection-and-consent-form/>





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In preparation for children returning we have created a short video for children to explain some of the systems which can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sstTWfjM1iY&feature=youtu.be>

Please ensure that children do not bring personal possessions into school other than coats, book bags and water bottles which should be taken home every night for cleaning. Mobile phones are not allowed with the exception of those Y6 children who are walking to and from school independently (please contact school if your child in Year 6 is walking to and from school independently as written permission is required).

Deliveries of our new navy uniform with our logo on will be made within the first few weeks, although the blazers may take a little longer. We will let you know and send these home with your child once they have arrived. If you had not yet selected the free jumper, cardigan or blazer that the academy will buy for your child as they were already on roll in July then we will be in touch once we have re-opened.

We cannot wait for you to see our newly refurbished building! A team of builders, engineers, painters, decorators, plumbers, joiners and other skilled technicians have worked just about every day of the holidays to transform our building so that we have new windows, heating, lighting and redesigned classrooms. All of our Early Years children now have a newly designed area which allows every child to have access to high quality indoor and outdoor learning spaces and be in one area of the academy. Every classroom has new flooring, storage, cloakroom area, chairs and in time will have new tables as well. A brand new look for a brand new year. We are looking forward to living our values of caring, respecting, kindness and striving to do our best at every moment in our new environment.

We would also emphasise that the school offices will remain closed to avoid congestion. Should you need to speak to a member of staff, or if you have any concerns or specific questions regarding your child's return in September, please let us know via email at office@samuelbarlowprimary-ac.org.uk or by phone on 01623 479033.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs L Spacey, Senior Principal

Mrs S Kahler, Principal

