



Margaret McMillan Primary School

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SCHOOL OPENING TIMES AND THE START OF LESSONS

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to remind you that lessons begin at **8:45am** every morning. The first 15 minutes every morning is a reading lesson. Reading is probably the most valuable skill your child will learn at Primary school. Children who arrive late miss 1 hour 15 minutes reading time every week. This adds up to 49 hours a year – 10 school days of reading every year!

We ask that you ensure that children are outside cloakrooms ready to enter when the doors open. We will now open the cloakroom doors earlier – by 8:40 am at the latest. This will ensure that children are in class ready to begin lessons at 8:45am.

The green gates to KS2 and KS1 will be closed at 8:50. After this time your child will need to go through the main entrance to school. This is so staff can be in classrooms teaching rather than waiting for late children.

If you need to speak to your child's class teacher please try to do so at the end of the day when lessons have finished. If it must be in the morning – please be there at 8:40am.

- **School starts at 8.45am for all children Reception to Year 6.**
- **Green gates will be open by 8:30am.**
- **Doors into the building will be open from 8.40am.**
- **The Green gates will be closed at 8.50am every morning. After that we consider your child late for lessons and they will need to go to the main entrance.**

Thank you for your ongoing support of attendance and punctuality at Margaret McMillan Primary, as you are aware we believe it is important to maintain high expectations around these areas. If your child is not in school – we cannot teach them. Please help us to help your child.

Kind regards

The Margaret McMillan Staff.



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