

DNI/LS

13th August 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

RE: New starters - Year 5

We are very excited about Year 5 starting school in a few weeks' time. Year 5 will start school on **Wednesday 2 September at 8:50am**. They will be the only children on the South Avenue site for the first day, to allow them a chance to get used to the school building.

Our uniform for the first term is a plain white shirt or plain white polo shirt, black trousers or knee length skirt and black shoes (though for the first term plain/unbranded black trainers are fine too). Please see our school website for more details using the following link: <https://www.jcsc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Uniform-Clarification-Letter.pdf>

Your child is welcome to bring their bag on the first day, but the only things they need to bring are their basic stationery and their "Skimming Stone" packs, (which were delivered to you in July).

If your child is not bringing a packed lunch, you will be able to download and use an app on your electronic devices to be able to make payments for school meals online. More details on this to follow (as soon as they are confirmed), so please keep checking your emails for further information.

If you still need to arrange school transport, please contact Northumberland County Council on tel no: **01670 624839**.

I appreciate on the first day you may wish to see your child off at the school gate but due to social distancing, this is difficult. There will be plenty of staff on site to show your child through to the yard but I would ask that parents and carers do not congregate at the school gate. Where possible, students will initially be with the same children as they were in first school and we will review the tutor groups on 22 September. We are hoping to run a series of parents' days in October where you will be able to meet your child's teacher and see their classroom. I will send you more details about this soon, once it is clearer where we are with having visitors in school.

If you have any questions about any of these issues, please email us at: enquiries@jcsc.co.uk

Do enjoy the rest of your summer!

Yours faithfully

David Nisbet

Head of School

Executive Headteacher: Neil Rodgers