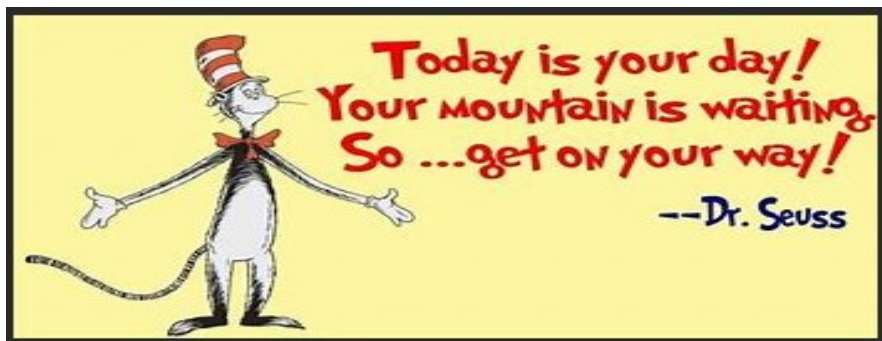


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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the new school year. It has been wonderful to see the children back in the classroom and see them enjoying their learning. The school feels alive again!

We have worked hard to ensure that our school environment is safe and have been reviewing our procedures daily. We have listened to feedback from parents, staff and pupils and feel we are now in a position to revise our starting times. Please see below:-

Entrance	8.40am	8.45am	8.50am
Commonside East	Year 6	Year 5	
Baker Lane Main Gate	Year 1	Year 2	
Baker Lane Kitchen	Year 3	Year 4	
Early Years	Nursery		All Reception

All Gates will be closed at 9:00am and collection times remain unchanged.

Unfortunately at this moment we cannot offer a separate entrance for siblings, however we are still working on this.

Please remember to social distance when waiting outside the gate and to wear a face covering when you come onto the premises.

PE kits will be sent home today and from next week please can the children come to school wearing their PE kits on their designated days. The children will know what days they do PE.

We are excited to be able to offer a range of after school clubs, please reserve your places as soon as possible as numbers are limited.

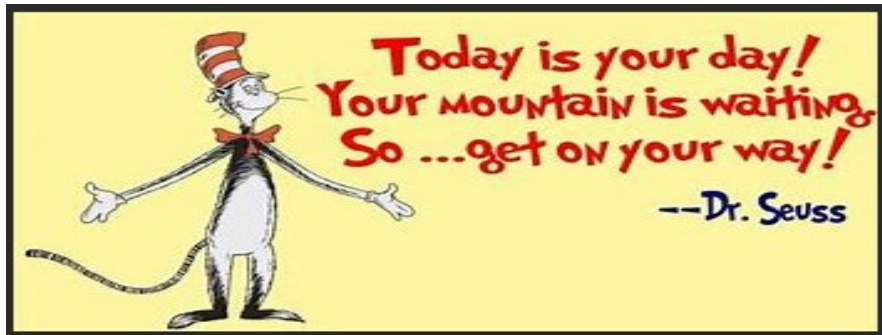
We are encouraging children walk, ride or scoot to school. Please ensure for their safety that they wear a helmet. We are in the process of ordering new bike/scooter storage at each of our entrances. From Monday your child can leave their bike/scooter at a designated area at their gate—this will be at your own risk.



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A number of parents have spoken about school bags, we would ask if you are buying a new school bag you purchase our official branded book bag/plain navy rucksack from the Uniform provider – link attached

<https://www.schooluniformdirect.co.uk/schools/31/st--thomas-of-canterbury>

On behalf of all the staff I would to say thank you for your continued support and patience at this time. It has been a great start to the term and your children have come back and settled well—they are a credit to you.

We will continue to work together to be the best we can be and stone by stone we can move mountains.

Have a wonderful weekend.

M Tucker

Mrs M Tucker

Acting Head Teacher



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