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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I hope this letter finds you safe and well after an enjoyable summer. I have no doubt that it was a different summer but I hope that everyone has found ways to relax and make memories, feeling ready and refreshed for the start of a new academic year.

The last academic year was undoubtedly one of the toughest on record, not just at ISP but across the country. Although very challenging, it reinforced what an excellent, supportive and caring team we are where we have shown that together, anything is possible. I am and have always been proud of our ISP Family with last year being no exception.

As we look towards starting the new academic year, I know that we will all continue to face many challenges and need to get used to the new normal at ISP. The risk assessment has been updated and please rest assured that every decision made is and will continue to be based on the health, safety and wellbeing of all involved. The impact of the dreadful COVID-19 pandemic and children missing half a year of school will vary on each individual both academically, emotionally and socially. During the first half term at ISP, we will be working especially hard to settle children back into the school routine, ensuring that not only do they feel safe and settled but that they are emotionally and mentally ready to learn. One of the many ways in which this will take place is through a specific weekly Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) lessons every Friday afternoon. Baseline assessments will ensure catch up sessions and a recovery curriculum are planned where required. Increased assessment checkpoints will ensure that attainment is tracked and monitored carefully.

Below, you will find details about the upcoming year and how reopening schools will look at ISP.

I hope that this is a clear outline for you and you find all the information necessary to feel prepared.

Appendix 1 contains the class structure overview as a reminder.

Drop Off and Collection

Drop off will be between 8:45-9.00am and collection will be between 3:15-3:20pm.

Dolphin – Enter/exit through the main playground door as normal.

Whale – Enter/exit through the playground but down the outside steps into the fire exit of Whale Class. Shark – Enter/exit through the side hall doors. Any pupils walking home or to the triangle must have this pre-arranged with Miss Jackson or myself. Pupils waiting for parents of younger siblings will wait in the hall until they pass.

In the morning, a member of staff from each class will be at the relevant door to greet your child/ren who will go straight in. You can use this opportunity to pass on any important messages but will not be permitted to enter the school building. I will be waiting in front of the blue gates to ensure everyone abides by the yellow lines and zig zags and also to take any additional messages. It is very important that you do not arrive earlier than the times stated above and gather in groups. There will be no lining up or no playing on the adventure trail from pupils or family members. Although I cannot enforce this by law, I would strongly advise adults and children over the age of 12 to wear a mask when on school grounds due to the size of the playground making social distancing difficult.













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If you need to speak to Mrs Doherty, please now only phone or email the office on 01229 462753 / admin@irelethst-peters.cumbria.sch.uk.

Attendance

Attendance at school is now required again by law. If your child is poorly please follow the usual absence procedures by contacting the school office by 9:30am. Your child should not attend school if they are displaying any symptoms of Coronavirus or have been in contact with anyone testing positive. If you have travelled during the summer or plan to travel abroad for the foreseeable future, you must abide by the quarantine rules and contact school to make us aware. If your child has been or is continuing to shield for medical reasons, please contact me directly.

Classroom Bubbles

Each class will remain in their own bubble for the entire day, keeping at least 2m away from other class bubbles. Within their own bubbles, there will be no need for children to socially distance however, adults are required to keep a 2m distance from all adults and children. This will understandably make teaching and other daily scenarios increasingly difficult therefore staff are permitted and have been encouraged to wear a mask when they feel the need. The classroom routine will return to normal with children experiencing a broad and balanced curriculum.

Hygiene

During the summer, wall mounted hand sanitisers have been fitted in various places around school including outside every classroom, near exits and communal areas. Children and staff will wash their hands or sanitise on a regular basis including every time they enter and leave the school building. This will also take place when leaving their class base and moving around school. Tables will be wiped down in the classrooms before the afternoon sessions, as will the taps, flush and door handle in the toilets. Windows throughout school will be open to allow for ventilation and internal doors wedged open where assessed as safe. Staff will wear PPE when administering first aid or assisting with toileting.

Cleaning

Cleaning of the school site will continue to take place every morning and every evening. This will be monitored closely and additional cleaning hours allocated if deemed appropriate. Each classroom will have a designated 'Cleaning Station' to allow for excellent hygiene.

Toilets

Each bubble will use separate toilets. Shark Class have been allocated the toilets upstairs. Whale Class have been allocated the toilets in the corridor and Dolphin Class will use the toilet in their classroom area.

Equipment

Equipment brought into school should be limited and only necessary items.

- *The children will continue using school pencil cases as was the case before Summer. Children will therefore not be permitted to bring their own pencil case to school.
- *Every child should have their own water bottle in school which they will keep at their desk. This is very important to ensure they are hydrated throughout the day.













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*Book bags/school bags will be permitted but must be put straight on their peg. Due to the limited space in cloakroom areas, it will not be possible to keep children's belongings apart and not touching. If your child does not need to bring a bag to school and can carry their reading folder, we encourage you to do so. Anything needing to be handled by a member of staff i.e. reading record and book will be wiped down with an antibacterial wipe before and after. Reading folders will be handed out in Week 2. *PE kits will now be sent home every Friday for washing to be returned every Monday. PE will start in

- Week 2.
- *As in previous years, Show and Tell can still take place in the afternoons but it must be something that can be wiped down with spray or a wipe. Further details will be sent out in class newsletters.
- *All children must return to school in full school uniform.

Collective Worship

Collective Worship is very important at ISP and being able to be together as one family is something we feel the need to continue as safely as possible. The hall has been split into three separate areas which are 2m apart which enables all three class bubbles to be in the hall at the same time. There will be space for the adult leading the worship to keep a safe 2m distance from all three bubbles. A staff member from each class will stay in the hall with their bubble to assist if needed. There will now be a reduced timetable for this taking place - Monday, Wednesday and Friday. On Tuesday and Thursday, class teachers will use this time for class worship, catch up sessions or additional PSHE.

Break

Break times will remain the same. 10:15-10:30am in the morning and then 2:00-2:15pm for Dolphin and Whale Class. Dolphin Class will now use their playground. Whale and Shark Class will use the main playground which will be separated into two sections. The classes will alternate sides on a daily basis. Tuck shop will not take place until further notice. Dolphin and Whale Class will be provided with a piece of fruit from the National Healthy Schools Scheme and children from Shark Class are permitted to bring in one healthy snack per day if they wish. As usual, children in Dolphin Class will have access to the Cool Milk scheme. We are currently in the process of looking into this for Whale Class.

Lunch

The lunch service through Dolce will resume as normal with orders being taken via School Grid. Please ensure you order at home to avoid children having to order in school. Children and staff will sanitise hands before lunch and after. Each class will have their own tables in their own designated area of the hall. Lunch will continue to take place in two sittings however the times have been amended.

Class	Hall	Playground
Dolphin	11:45-12:15pm	12:15-12:45pm
	Mrs Turner	Mrs Turner
	Miss Sanderson	Miss MacDonald
Whale	12:15-12:40pm	12:40-1:10pm
	Mrs Britton	Mrs Britton
Shark	12:15-12:40pm	12:40-1:10pm
	Miss Morrison	Miss Morrison
		Mrs Price













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Swimming

Swimming will take place as normal unless I am informed otherwise. Further details to follow in my usual weekly newsletter.

Homework

Homework will continue to be expected of our children however will now be set via Class Dojo. This will be explained within class newsletters which you will receive early in the term. If you require support or basic resources for this, please ask and we can assist. This will be reviewed on a termly basis and may need adapting at certain points in the year for example SATS revision.

Visitors

Essential visitors or colleagues will be permitted on site only with additional risk assessments completed where necessary. Unlike previous years, we will be unable to allow an audience for celebration assemblies. This will of course be reviewed as the situation improves.

Family Groups

Unfortunately, due to class bubbles needing to keep separate, we will not be able to run Family Groups for the foreseeable future. Friday afternoons will instead consist of PSHE, Golden Time and Praise Worship. Golden Time will take place within Class Bubbles and will be a reward hour for good behaviour and hard work throughout the week. Golden Time activities will vary and in Shark Class this term, we will be spending an hour exploring on the top field participating in Forest School Activities. Further details will be shared in class newsletters.

Enrichment Trips

During the Autumn term, each class will have the opportunity to attend on a short local enrichment trip with Fussells Travel. The purpose of these trips will be to promote a positive and healthy wellbeing whilst develop and building relationships up with peers and staff.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs will not take place this term. This decision will be reviewed on a half termly basis.

Breakfast and After School Club

Both Breakfast and After School Club will resume from the first day of term. All bookings must be made via ParentMail. If you are too late to book a slot, please phone the office and this can be done manually for you. This service will take place in the hall at all times. A wide variety of breakfast bars and fruit will be provided for both sessions. This will be reviewed half termly in the hope of reintroducing cereal and toast options in the near future. Children will be kept separate in their class bubbles by staying in their designated area of the hall.

A reminder of the times and costings is as follows.

Time	Price	Staff Member	Drop off / Collection	
7:45am	£4.50	Mrs Britton	Buzz the main entrance and a member of	
			staff will sign your child/ren in.	













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8:15am	£2.50	Mrs Britton	Buzz the main entrance and a member of staff will sign your child/ren in.
3:15-4:15pm	£4.50	Miss Morrison	Knock on the side hall door and your child will be brought out to you. Miss Morrison will sign your child out.
4:15-6:00pm	£8.50	Miss Morrison	Knock on the side hall door and your child will be brought out to you. Miss Morrison will sign your child out.

^{*}Staffing levels will increase once the demand is clear.

I understand this is a lengthy letter with a lot of information to digest however, I hope that the information provided has given you a clear insight into the new routines at ISP. As always, if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to email me. I am confident that 2020-2021 will be another successful year for ISP and I cannot wait for our school family to be back together again.

I look forward to seeing you all back in school on Wednesday 2nd September 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix 1

	Class Teacher	Support	Year Group/Pupil Numbers
Shark	Miss Jackson Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday	Miss Ritchie — AM Year 6 Booster (October onwards)	Year 4 - 6 Year 5 - 6 Year 6 - 9
	Mrs McFarlane Thursday and Friday	Mrs Price	Total: 21
Whale	Mrs Saunders Monday and Tuesday AM/PM Wednesday AM	Mrs Britton — AM leading Y1. Monday and Wednesday PM	Year 1 – 8 Year 2 - 8 Year 3 – 9
	Miss Shaw Wednesday PM Thursday and Friday AM/PM (Maternity cover for Miss Wright)		Total: 25
Dolphin	Mrs Kidson Full time	Miss Sanderson - AM/PM Miss MacDonald - AM/PM	Nursery – 12 max per session Reception- 18 Total: 30 max









