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Dear Parents,

Re: Changes to 2020/2021 Term Dates

As you will be aware we are unable to hold our 'moving-up' days this year. Although these are normally only a few hours once a year they do play a vital role in easing your child's minds on what will next year's classroom be like? What is my new teacher like...etc? Having taken into consideration all the media coverage about all children returning to school in September, I have reviewed the term dates for next year. Click [here](#) for our website version or see below for a copy of our new Term Dates for 2020/2021.

You will see that the start of September now looks slightly different. The key date for you as parents is **Friday 4th September**. This is now planned for our 'moving-up' day where children will spend the whole day getting to know their teacher, other adults, exploring their classroom and going through essential routines. This one whole day will then mean your child will be getting a longer moving up day and will be ready for the year ahead starting on Monday 7th September.

The need to move Inset days around is also very important to my staff and the schools organisational plan for how Primary Schools will be welcoming back all children. I'm sure there will be a lot more guidance released throughout the summer and it is vitally important that we all continue to remain safe and to provide the calmest and most enjoyable return in the Autumn Term for all concerned.

I have a child starting Reception, will this change anything?

If you have a new child starting Reception in September, then you will have already received an updated and revised induction timetable. You can also see a copy of this letter by clicking [here](#).

Are all children coming back to school full time?

The revised Term-Dates for 2020/2021 is based on all children returning and, although this is still an unknown, all indications through social media and televised interviews are leaning towards class bubbles of 30 (or full classes).

The Government has said that there will be guidance released *soon* about how 'Bubbles' will work in September; however, I feel it is important to give you as much notice as possible on when we would like your child(ren) back in September.

Many thanks for your continued support,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Mills', written over a horizontal line.

Mr. Mills, Head Teacher

'Learning from each other – achieving together'

'At Swindon Village we learn from each other and achieve together by being kind, being respectful and being the best we can be.'