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Lateness

Dear Parent / Carer

I am having to write today to remind everyone about the need to be on time for school. **School starts at 8:30am** and children should be here, in the playground, ready for this time. We don't shut the gates until 8:40am so that anyone who may be running a little late, still has time to get into school. However, this is not the time children should be aiming to arrive at school.

Learning starts at 8:30am in each class and anyone who is not here at this time is missing out on important learning.

I am fully aware that there are well over 350 children who have not been late this year, or ever, and you as parents value the importance of being punctual as much as we do. Today, though we had 21 children late for school which is not good enough. Simply because it is raining or you overslept isn't a good enough reason.

For the rest of this week, I will be at the main gate with Mrs Jaycock speaking to anyone who is late. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, there should be no children late.

Mr S Bowsher
Headteacher

