



Kilham Church of England (V.C) Primary School
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Monday 1st June 2020

Dear Parent or Carer

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 only.

As you are aware, the school is planning to open to the cohorts above starting from Monday 8th June 2020 and we can't wait for the school to operate as a place of education supporting our children with their learning.

Our doors will only open after a thorough and detailed review of the risks associated with reopening to make our site and procedures as secure as possible. On Thursday 21st May Lauren Newman the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Safety Officer was on-site to audit our risk assessments and make suggestions about improving our updated provision which we have since implemented. Below are listed many of the critical changes that we have made to keep all of the members of our school family safe.

1. Comply with all of the government guidance and implement health and safety audits and action plans.
2. Set up our classrooms to be socially isolated spaces with children only interacting during lesson times, break times and dinner times with children in their classes. There will be no whole school activities or assemblies or mixing between children from different classes during the school day.
3. Split lunches and break times to avoid group gatherings.
4. Have maximum class sizes of 15 children in a class.
5. Each child will have their own desk in their classroom with their own set of resources and materials to use during the day. This table will operate as a personal workstation.
6. Changed the curriculum we offer so that children do very little work in groups or as part of a team.
7. Provide exciting lessons linked to the national curriculum for the children on site.
8. Changed our medical policy to help prevent the spread of the virus.
9. Limiting the number of children accessing our toilet facilities at one time.
10. Employ extra cleaners during the day to wipe down and sterilise all commonly used handles and surfaces across the school. They will also deep clean the school regularly.
11. Get children regularly washing their hands or using antibacterial hand gels throughout the day.
12. Change the drop-off and pick up routines to stop parents coming onto the school site. During drop off and pick up we will adhere to the social distancing rule.
13. Try to teach all of our children how to apply effective social distancing expectations while on the school site.
14. Provide mental health and wellbeing support for all children returning to a school setting and help them overcome the anxiety of being with more people than has become normal.

New drop off and pick up procedures

As we look at reopening school, we have several changes that we need to make to our pick up and drop off procedures. The most significant difference is that parents will no longer be allowed within the inner boundary of the school fence or office area unless by prior appointment so you will need to hand your children over to a member of staff at the entrance points to the school. The drop-off and pick up times for school have not changed. The breakfast club will no longer be available due to children mixing from many class bubbles. All children who are on-site from 8th June will need to wear school uniform.

Key Workers

Please continue to drop your children off at the front entrance of the school.

Nursey and Reception children – Teacher Miss Brown

Please come to the side magnetic gate and hand your child over to a member of staff following the social distancing guidance as much as possible. Please prepare your children for this change in procedure. Please see the photo below.



Year 1 children – Teacher Mrs Dowkes

Please come to the Driffield Road side gate and hand your child over to a member of staff following the social distancing guidance as much as possible. Please prepare your children for this change in procedure. Please see the photo below.



Year 6 children – Teacher Ms Hobson

Please come to the Year 6 side gate on Millside and hand your child over to a member of staff following the social distancing guidance as much as possible. Please prepare your children for this change in procedure.

Hot dinners

At this time due to staffing issues at Nafferton School, we are unable to offer hot dinners – please send your child with a packed lunch. Those children who receive FSM or our part of our universal infant dinners have been contacted by Mrs Smith in the office to discuss your preferred options. If you need further advice please call the school office.

Items between home and school

To reduce the spread of the risk of any virus between home and school, we will be reducing the number of items that are moved between home and school. Children will therefore not require a school bag, PE kit or any stationery items from home i.e. pencil cases.

Children will need a coat, and a named packed lunch container and a named water bottle. All other resources are being provided by the school in a named pack which will be kept at the child's individual work station.

Book swapping for those children attending school

Due to the risk of the virus remaining on items bought from home we have decided that children who are in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 will only bring books home and return books on a Monday. These books will then be left in a secure location for a week giving the virus time to die off before staff disinfect them and return them to the shelves to share with other families. To help support children reading, they will bring home 4 or 5 books which should last them for the week.

School Transport – those children who use a bus

If your child uses a bus to come to school, we have provided their details to the ERYCC to confirm that they are intending to return to school from the 8th June. The transport team are working hard to maintain social distancing on a bus and are expecting to run buses at 50% capacity.

As a school we do not have input into the risk assessments developed by the transport team so if you need any further advice or information go to the website link below.

<https://emergency.eastriding.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/#er-accordion-school-transport>

If, since any previous contact from school, you have either decided that you would like to or will now not be sending your nursery, reception, Year 1 or Year 6 child to school, please contact the school office using either of the methods below.

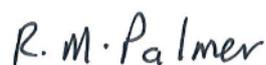
Email – kilham.primary@eastriding.gov.uk

Phone 01262 420214

Please be assured that the school has followed all government guidance and used a common sense approach to make any return to school as safe as possible. We are looking forward to some normality to our routine and having children back in school. All of the changes to the way the school operates will be regularly reviewed to make sure we have the right balance.

During this challenging time we thank you all for your continued support and welcome any feedback on the changes we have implemented to re-open the school.

With my kindest regards,



Robert Palmer
Headteacher