



BROAD CHALKE C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers

Preparation Time

Staff have spent this week at school preparing the building, getting equipment ready and being trained for what will be different routines and procedures ready for the wider opening of the school on **Monday 8th June** for groups of children from YR, Y1 and Y6 plus our keyworker group.

We are very aware that children may feel a range of emotions from excited to anxious. We will be focussing on helping children to adjust to new routines, getting used to a structured day and re-establishing friendships.

The school environment and routines will be different but the staff will be the same; still smiling; still wanting to help your child and all looking forward to seeing the children again whenever you decide that the time is right for them to return, as this is a personal decision.

Entrance and collection times

Keyworkers from 8.00 via Y4 classroom door and collect at 3.15pm

YR 8.30 via gate nearest to playschool then via the pencil gate and collect at 2.30pm

Y1 8.45 via class 1 and class 2 doors and collect at 2.45pm

Y6 9.00 via class 5 and class 6 doors and collect at 3.15pm

- We will be letting in 1 child at a time at the entrances mentioned above.
- Punctuality is going to be important as staff have to man the doors so please arrive on time.
- A member of staff will be on duty outside to direct children arriving by bus to the correct door.
- There are markings outside to help with social distancing at drop off and pick up times.
- We ask parents not to use the benches, the sun shelter or to let children go on our play trails.
- Please leave gates open to avoid touching them and school staff will close gates after 9am.

Lunchtime arrangements

Cooked lunches are only available for YR/ Y1 at present. We have divided the hall in half with separate supervisors for each class. However, as usual, children from YR/ Y1, may choose to bring a packed lunch. **Please order lunches via parent pay.** Children from Y6, or those in the keyworker group, need to bring a packed lunch. Children should bring their own named water bottle and snack. Please can snacks be something which does not require adult intervention to help e.g. a piece of fruit rather than yogurts and spoons or packets which requires an adult to touch multiple items.

Uniform

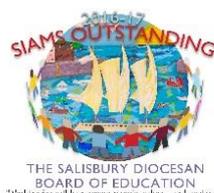
Children should wear school uniform if possible but we are prepared to be flexible if children have grown out of school clothes, particularly shoes. In fact, trainers are preferable as then the children can wear them outside and for exercise. Children may also bring a sun hat and sun cream (please name).

Buses

We have contacted parents to establish who will be travelling by bus.

Infection Control

Infection control is vital going forward, for example, children will be regularly washing hands (children can bring in hand cream if necessary), equipment will not be shared and children will stay at desks when in classrooms but we will use the outside as much as possible. If your child has any symptoms which might be coronavirus (a new continuous cough or a temperature or loss or change in taste or smell) or a sickness bug then **please do not send them into school** as this will put others at risk of



infection. Please follow the online instructions on NHS 111. Please notify the school as normal if you child is unable to attend school due to illness.

Current advice from Public Health England

If we have a SUSPECTED case of coronavirus in school we will isolate that child and ask for them to be collected immediately. We will take advice from the Health Protection Agency about informing other parents of children in that class that we have had a child with suspected symptoms in school. The affected child must then isolate at home for 8 days (day of onset plus 7 days) and the rest of their household have to isolate for 14 days. We advise that the parents get their child tested immediately. If the test is negative (the vast majority are negative) the child can return to school and the household do not need to continue to isolate.

If the test is positive as a CONFIRMED case of coronavirus, the child must then isolate at home for 8 days (day of onset plus 7 days) and the rest of their household have to isolate for 14 days. The Health Protection Agency would be involved in the instance of a positive case to advise who else in our school should self-isolate at home for 14 days.

- In the absence of a test, but where there are symptoms, we will treat this as a positive case.
- All staff and children who are attending the setting will have **access to a test** if they display symptoms of coronavirus, and are encouraged to get tested in this scenario.
- At present our nearest test centre is at the park and ride near Old Sarum. Tests must be pre-booked online via NHS 111.
- Where the child or staff member tests negative, they can return to their setting and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.
- As part of the national test and trace programme, if other cases are detected within the setting, Public Health England's local health protection teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise settings on the most appropriate action to take.
- In some cases a larger group may be asked to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure. Where settings are observing guidance on infection prevention and control, which will reduce risk of transmission, closure of the whole setting will not generally be necessary.
- If a **parent** of a child tests positive for COVID-19 then **their child / children** should stay off school for 14 days. The rest of the bubble can continue unless a child in school tests positive.

Help and support for parents

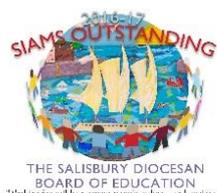
You can find useful COVID-19 advice and support which you can access at this link <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus>

Childhood immunisations

Public Health England is reminding parents and carers that childhood immunisations are continuing through the Covid-19 (coronavirus) outbreak. Parents have been urged to keep GP appointments for routine jabs during the coronavirus crisis and to make sure routine childhood immunisations - which offer protection from a range of serious and sometimes life-threatening infections, including measles and meningitis - are started and completed on time. While preventing the spread of Covid-19 and protecting those who are most vulnerable is a public health priority, it is very important to maintain good vaccine uptake and coverage of immunisations. The childhood immunisation programme protects against diseases including whooping cough, measles, meningitis and pneumonia. Surgeries are still offering vaccination appointment for children and parents are urged to make sure they keep appointments or book new ones if needed.

Head of Home Learning

Mrs Cadge has kindly offered to be head of home learning for those children in Y6, Y1 and YR who are not yet coming back to school. The class teachers will send a weekly email but as these teachers will be in school they will not be able to deal with daily enquiries too. Mrs Cadge will be there as a source of support for parents of children in YR, Y1 and Y6. Mrs Cadge can be contacted by email on broadchalke5@broadchalke.wilts.sch.uk for any enquiries or support over home learning.



Rainbows for Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit

Our key worker children made some beautiful rainbow pictures for the neo-natal ward in Salisbury Hospital.



Winners of the poetry competition

The teachers loved seeing all the videos which were sent in of children performing their poems. Thank you to everybody who entered and well done to you all!

Mrs Crosse and Mrs Penny had the difficult job of being the judges so thank you very much to them.

Overall winners were:

KS1 Harry Stainforth and Tilia Cock (joint winners) and from KS2 Abigail Grossart

The winners from each class also deserve an honourable mention!

Class R: Rosco Parsons and Isobel Hobson

Class 1: Pip Grover and John Rigg

Class 2: Tilia Cock and Harry Stainforth

Class 3: George Adams and Beau Wilby

Class 4: Lily Lake and Rupert Morgan

Class 5: Abigail Grossart and Hugo Tribbeck

Class 6: Ettienne Berry and William Cordle with his younger brother Ned Cordle

Hope

Schools and our staff have a vital role to play at this time, not just in education but in child care, re-establishing routines, providing safe social contact and also offering hope and a sense of calm. School will be different but many things will also change for the better, things which offer hope in how we treat one another going forward. My hope is that we will see children and adults who are:

- More patient in waiting our turn
- More considerate towards others
- More polite to one another
- More aware of safe hygiene practices
- More appreciative of our freedom
- More respectful of the personal space of others

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Brockway".

Mrs Amanda Brockway
Headteacher

