



Holtsmere End Infant and Nursery school

Our plan for full opening in September

This is a summary of a more detailed document which adheres to the DFE's document which is linked below.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

All children are expected to return to school in September and we wish to reassure you that we will do everything in our power to keep your child safe and happy in our purposeful learning environment.

- Years 1 and 2 will start school on **Monday 7th September 2020** (New Nursery and Reception classes have been informed of different start dates)
- We will retain our regular handwashing at various intervals throughout the day. Hand sanitisers have been installed in each classroom
- Our rigorous cleaning programme, using antibacterial spray at several intervals throughout the day, will be maintained including cleaning of resources which are shared between year group bubbles
- Unnecessary items including soft furnishings will be removed from classrooms
- To minimise contact and mixing children will be kept in Year group 'bubbles' – Nursery and Reception forming an EYFS 'bubble', Year One 'bubble', Year 2 'bubble'
- Distancing will be practised and encouraged where possible, especially by those adults who are working across 'bubbles'. We recognise that this is not always possible with younger children
- Where possible staff will not mix between Year group 'bubbles'
- Year group 'bubble' assemblies including 'Celebration' assembly will take place
- Herts Catering will provide packed lunches which will be eaten in classrooms as we would be unable to serve lunch for 180 children in an hour, in the hall and clean effectively between each sitting. We hope to return to offering hot meals as soon as possible
- Midday supervisors will be allocated to a 'bubble' and remain with their 'bubble'
- Reception children will play in the Early Years area at lunchtime and will be supervised by a mixture of Midday Supervisors and Early Years staff – we had planned to do this anyway as sometimes the main playground can be quite daunting for a new Reception child
- Year 1 and Year 2 'bubbles' will have their own box of equipment to play with at lunchtime. They are permitted to use the play equipment; one 'bubble' will use it on Week A and the other on Week B. The field and playground will be zoned
- Play equipment will be coned off to discourage use by children waiting in the playground as this would mean children from different 'bubbles' using it
- Sports coaches, advisors and professional support i.e. speech and language therapists will be permitted to enter school but will need to have their temperature taken, wash their hands and hand sanitise at regular intervals throughout their time in school
- Staggered start, break, lunch and end times to avoid mixing of groups and congestion at entrances and exits

	Start time	End time
Nursery	9am	12 noon/3pm
Reception	8.45	3.05
Year 1	8.40	3pm
Year 2	8.50	3.10

- A comprehensive intervention programme has been devised and will be co-ordinated by Mrs Silver, to ensure that we do everything to identify and plug gaps in children's knowledge due to lengthy absence

If you have questions, concerns and comments please email head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk