



Dear Parents/Carers

16.07.20.

Can I start by saying a big thank you to all our families for your support over what I can only describe as an extraordinary couple of terms. We are prepared now for the return of all our pupils in September and the staff have worked extremely hard to be ready for learning to begin.

I have included in this letter some guidance for all parents/carers and children, so that on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September you will know all our expectations. We have followed the guidance from the DFE in all our decisions to ensure all aspects are covered in light of COVID 19 and risk assessed.

There will be a variety of aspects that we need parents/carers to follow and we have also included a child friendly booklet to let the children know what to expect on their return.

I have put our recommended controls into sections that I hope you find useful.

## Dropping off and Picking up

Class	Drop off time	Pick up time
Nursery	<b>Information of a staggered start time will be sent separately. A home visit will let you know your time.</b>	
Reception		
Year 1	8:50am	3:05pm
Year 2	8:55am	3:10pm
Year 3	8:45am	3:00pm
Year 4	8:50am	3:05pm
Year 5	8:55am	3:10pm
Year 6	9:00am	3:15pm

We ask that you stick to these times as best you can. The aim is to restrict congestion in given areas of our school site. There is a one way system in place that you must follow at all times. Staff will be outside to guide you throughout these arrival times and pick up.

## Bubbles

Each year group will be classed as a 'bubble.' This means that the children will stay in this bubble at all times. They will have a separate break from the rest of the school, be given a designated area to play in and also have a staggered dinnertime in order to keep them safe.





## **Infection Control**

All the children will be expected to wash their hands more often. Measures are in place to support some pupils who may need extra support. We will discuss good hygiene practices through storytelling in particular for our younger children. We have provided adequate amounts of soap, tissues and bins in order to promote good hygiene practices.

## **Social Distancing**

We understand that children in primary school will find it more difficult to socially distance in particular our youngest children. We have therefore introduced the one-way system, dedicated playground areas and staggered pick-up and drop-off times. Pupils will be taught to follow social distancing measures when moving around school and they will not be allowed to mix with another bubble.

## **Contracting the Virus**

In the unlikely event a pupil displays symptoms of coronavirus, we will handle this in line with guidance. We will provide a waiting area with access to a toilet that is safe and will limit any spread of the disease. Staff looking after the pupil will wear PPE and will inform parents/carers of the next steps for what you and your family will need to do.

## **Mental Health and Wellbeing**

The children's mental health and wellbeing will be at the forefront of our planning when we return. Our curriculum for the first few weeks will give opportunities for the children to share their experiences or worries. We will be conducting a survey for parents/carers and children to assess how they feel about coming to school and put in any additional support if needed.

## **Uniform**

The new uniform is looking fantastic and you can watch the video with Mr Urry showing you the new jumper/cardigan and tie on our website and Facebook. We will be sending out details about how you can buy these but in the meantime you can buy grey trousers or skirts, a white shirt (NOT POLO TOP) and black shoes. You will receive one free jumper and tie for every child. This is only available from school.

Take care and stay safe and see you in September. Mr Urry

