

5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

### How school will be different

We are looking forward to your child returning to school. Below is some information that you need to be aware of – please read carefully.

- **How will school be different?**
- As far as possible, they will stay in their group (or 'bubble' as we're calling it) in classrooms, outside at break time, lunch time etc.  
Each bubble will have specific staff allocated to it.
- **What is socially distancing?**
- Social distancing is where the government have advised people to stay at least two metres away from each other.
- **What about social distancing in school?**
- The government has been clear that schools should socially distance where possible but accept that you cannot socially distance all of the time, especially with some of our children.
- **What else are we doing?**
- Removing items that are hard to clean regularly, such as rugs, cushions and other soft furnishings, to ensure all rooms remain hygienic.
- Making sure that students don't share their resources. Making sure that all equipment used inside and outside will be regularly disinfected.
- Making physical adaptations to buildings (creating zones, class 'bubbles' and minimising communal spaces etc.)
- Implementing enhanced cleaning rotas to ensure high standards, including cleaning of communal areas, corridors and toilets during the day. Staff will have cleaning items (anti bac wipes etc.) in classrooms.
- All classrooms being used will have handwashing facilities.
- **How can parents help?**
- 1. If your child is at all unwell, or has a temperature above 37.8° c keep them at home, notify the school immediately and take them and the whole family for a test asap. We will then notify the parents of the other pupils and the staff in the bubble to stay at home until we have confirmation that the test has come back negative.
- 2. Ensure that your child is wearing fresh clothes each day.
- 3. Ensure your child has washed their hands before coming to school.



4. Ensure that your child does **not** bring any other items (including schools bags or home school books) into school other than a water bottle, a packed lunch and emergency medication/personal care items which should ideally not be in fabric bags. All items required for the day should enter school with the child. Only children on FSM will be provided with a lunch.
5. Sun cream should be applied at home and sent in if it's due to be hot.
6. All primary pupils need a spare set of clothes and a hat which they can leave at school in a plastic carrier bag.
7. Be on time and stick to your time for the staggered start at the beginning and end of the day.
8. Please socially distance from all other adults
9. Drop and go, please keep moving and do not stop and chat in the playground or outside the gates.
10. At collection time please be prompt and make sure that you socially distance while waiting.
11. Please only communicate with the office via email and phone, even if you are dropping off or collecting your child. It will not be possible at this stage for us to have any face to face meetings with parents.
12. IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE UP TO DATE EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS. Lack of these could compromise your child's place.

- **What happens if there is a suspected Covid – 19 case?**

- The child will be taken to a separate isolation room
- The child will be supervised by an adult who may wear PPE equipment
- Their parents will be called to come and collect them
- Parents will be expected to get their child and the family tested for Covid-19 as soon as possible.
- All pupils and staff from that bubble will be sent home and have to self-isolate for 14 days or until the test result comes back negative.

Please be aware that the Health and Safety of all of our pupils and staff is of paramount importance and given the circumstances we will allow nothing to jeopardise this. If for any reason pupils deliberately endanger the school community by refusing to social distance they may be asked to forfeit their place at the school for the rest of this term.

Yours faithfully,



**Sue Tripp**  
Executive Headteacher