

# St Gabriel's C.E. Primary School

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

## Reopening update

Dear Parents and Carers,

This will be our final update before we open on June 2<sup>nd</sup> for children of Key workers, vulnerable children, Year 1 and Year 6.

**If you have said yes** to a place for your child from June 2<sup>nd</sup> and you are a key worker or we have had a discussion with you about your child being vulnerable, or your child is in Year 1 or Year 6 a place will be available for you.

If you change your mind, please do let us know and give us notice. We can arrange a place for your child from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. **Please do not just turn up unless you have said yes to a place.** Our risk assessments, and planning of staff and classrooms are based on the number of parents who have said yes when either Miss Gilbert, Miss Bell, Mr Nunn or myself spoke to you on the phone this week.

To reiterate, we will have different opening and finish times:

- Gates will open at 8.50am, your child will have their temperature taken and go straight to the classroom. Parents can not enter the playground
- 9am school starts
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: **finish at 3pm** gates will not open until this time and parents will need to wait outside.
- Friday: **finish at 1.45pm** (Please note this different finish time on Friday)

If you have said yes and your child is in Reception, but they do not fall into the vulnerable category, or you are not a key worker, your child can not start back on 2<sup>nd</sup> June. We will be in contact to let you know when they can start back.

### Uniform

Your child does not have to come to school in their uniform. If they would like to they can, but this is not compulsory. I would like to encourage all parents to put their children's school clothes in the wash when they get home.

### Lunches

A hot school meal will be provided. If your child was school dinners before we closed, this will continue. If they were packed lunch before we closed, this will continue. Please notify us in the normal way, if you would like to change. Any dinner monies please place in an envelope and give it to your child to give to their teacher. **Please do not come to the office as you will be turned away.** Thank you for your support in this.



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## Drinks

Please provide your child with a water bottle every day. Our fountains have been turned off, so your child will need to bring their own water bottle in each day and take it home to be washed each day.

## Whereabouts Forms

Over the period of closure, some parents may have changed their numbers. It is vital that if your child becomes ill, we can get hold of you straight away. Please complete the 'Whereabouts Form' that your child will be given when they return.

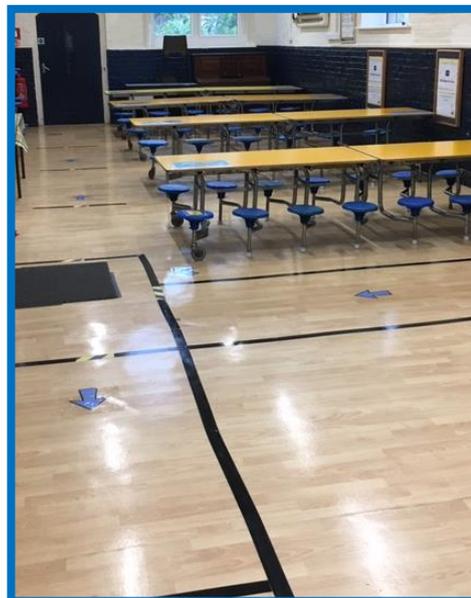
## Social Distancing

As you will see from the pictures, we have made a few changes to classrooms. Reception Class, Class 1 and Class 2 can only hold a maximum of 8 children. Classes 3 to 6 can hold between 9 and 11 children.

We have taped corridors to show children where 2 metres would be and our dining hall also has clear markings and place mats for children to sit at. In the dining room, we have put arrows on the floor so the children know to only walk in one direction.



In the playground we have dots 2m apart to guide children where to line up in case we have to evacuate the building.



For a list of all of the other measures we are putting in place, please do refer to our previous letter from 19<sup>th</sup> May. This lists the majority of the actions we are taking from our risk assessment. Should you want to read a copy of the risk assessment, this will be available in school.

## Learning from Home

We are going to change how we deliver our learning from home. We will put directions on our 'School Closure' tab on our website. Both home and school will follow the Oak National Academy. Our teachers will teach the same lessons that your child will be able to access from home. Therefore if your child is in

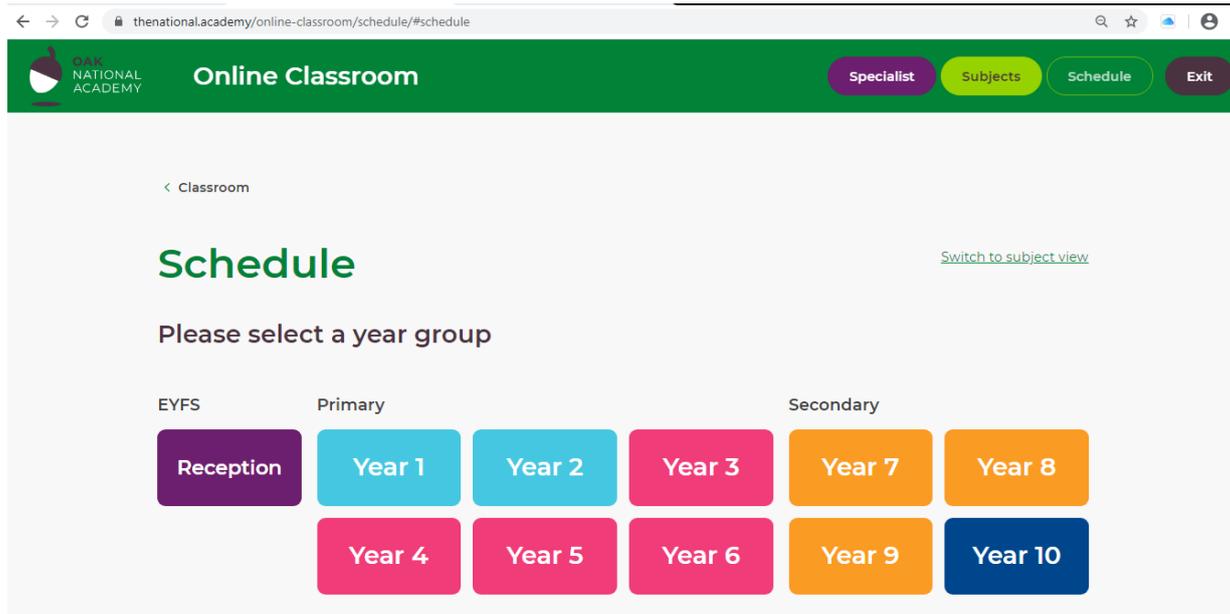
a year group that has not been invited back or you are choosing to keep your child at home, you will have a very good idea of what we are teaching in school, but following the Oak Academy lessons. Please see below for guidance on how to access this. If you need more exercise books for your child or would like to pick up some reading books, please do get in contact.

### [St Gabriel's learning from home - The Oak National Academy](#)

The government have set up a national on line school with lessons for every year group. We are going to use this to replace the work that we have been putting on our website. This website gives on line lessons for every year group.

**1. Follow this link:** <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/schedule/#schedule>

You will get to this page:



**2. Click on the Year group you need.**

You will get a screen which looks something like this!:

A screenshot of the Oak National Academy Online Classroom website showing the schedule for Year 2. The page title is 'Online Classroom' and the main heading is 'Year 2'. The schedule is for 'Week 3' starting on '4th May'. It shows a grid of lessons for Monday through Friday. Callouts provide instructions: '3. You can then choose the week. We are joining this a bit later so if you want a bit more to do, there are lots of lessons you can go over from previous weeks.' points to the 'Week 3' header. '4. Click on the day and you will get video lessons for Maths, English, a foundation subject and PE.' points to the 'Friday' button. Another callout at the bottom says 'You can watch a new assembly every Thursday.' pointing to the 'PE With Joe | 6th May' lesson card. The lessons listed are: Lesson 1 - Foundation (What is the difference between night and day?), Lesson 2 - Maths (To identify how patterns have been created through rotation), and Lesson 3 - English (To identify the features of a setting description). There is also an 'Assembly' card for Thursday and a 'PE With Joe | 6th May' card for Friday.

If you are unsure or have any problems with this, please do get in touch.

### **Illness in the family**

Finally, further to Tuesday's letter from myself and our Chair of Governors, if your child is returning to school on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June and shows any signs of any illness (not just Covid 19) please ring us and do not send them into school. If a member of your family shows signs of Covid 19, please do not send your child to school. Please phone and notify us.

Department for Education guidance and PHE guidance is constantly being updated, therefore, when we reopen, we will send further correspondence about what we will do should a case of Covid 19 arise within our school.

Please do contact school if you want to discuss the content of this letter further.

Best wishes

Rebecca Anson