



Frequently Asked Questions

Questions and Answers for September 2020 Reopening

(We will add to this list as more questions arise)

Q. Will the children be in their new class with their new teacher and teaching assistant?

A. Yes - the children will be in their new class with their new teacher and teaching assistant. We will be staggering the intake of new children into Reception and Nursery and staff will be in contact with more information and how we can welcome you into the school. Unfortunately, due to COVID 19 we can't hold our normal welcome meetings and taster sessions with adults in the setting.

Q. How will the children be seated within the classroom?

A. Due to the size of our classrooms, children will be sat in groups, where possible they will sit facing the white board and will not face each other. Each child will have their own zipped wallet with individual equipment to minimise the risk of sharing items.

Q. Will the children be in bubbles?

A. We aim to keep the children in year group bubbles for playtimes and lunchtimes. They will remain in their class group as much as possible.

Q. Will there be school meals?

A. We will provide hot school meals in the usual way. Please look on the website for the current menu choices. Junior pupils will need to top up their lunch accounts. Meals are £2.30 but free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Please apply for free school meals if you meet the criteria via the school office.

Q. Will milk and / or fruit still be offered at EYFS and Year 1 / 2 and what about snacks?

A. Milk will continue, please sign up via Cool milk on our website. There will be fruit for infant children as usual.

Q. What happens if my young child has a toilet accident?

A. Please bring in a sealed bag with a change of clothes for your child which can be kept on their peg for this emergency.

Q. Can I talk to the class teacher at the classroom door as usual?

A. No. Please contact the teacher through the school office or the Year group email account. Parents will need to adhere to social distancing guidance and follow **one-way** routes in and out of the school. To keep everyone safe we need to limit groups of adults on the school site.

Q. Will school start and end at the same times?

A. There will be staggered starting and end times with soft starts to ensure we minimise large groups of adults and children on site to reduce contact at drop off and collection times

Year Group	Drop Off	Collection
Nursery	8:45-8:55 am session 12:30-12:40 pm session	11:45 am session 3:30 pm session
Reception	8:35-8:45	3:20- 3:30
Year 1	8:45- 8:55	3:20-3:30
Year 2	8:30-8:40	3:20-3:30
Year 3	8:40- 8:50	3:30
Year 4	8:40- 8:50	3:30
Year 5	8:30-8:40	3:20
Year 6	8:30-8:40	3:20

Please follow the one-way systems to minimise contact with other adults.

Q. Will breakfast and aftercare be open?

A. No. This is currently run privately and they have informed us that they have closed.

Q. Can my child wear a face mask and bring hand gel?

A. We are not expecting children to wear face masks, as recommended by government guidelines. If a child has symptoms - they should not be at school. We will not however say 'no' should you wish them to wear one. Although these will need to be changed or washed daily and ones they have worn to school should be handed back to their parent before entering the building.

We have hand gel in each classroom and around the school. Children can bring in their own named small bottle if they would like to and tissues. These can be kept in their individual zipped wallet. We will be asking the children to wash their hands frequently throughout the day and using hand gel on entry and exit to school.

Q. Will the staff be wearing face masks?

A. We are not expecting this at the moment in the main classrooms. Welfare staff, first aiders and school meals assistants may use protective equipment, PPE, when dealing with injuries or unwell children.

Q. Do the children bring PE and book bags?

A. We ask that children do not bring bags from home, apart from a packed lunch if applicable. Children can wear PE kits on PE days. Pencil cases will be supplied by school, they will remain in school. Packed lunches can be brought in but clearly labelled with the child's name on them and disinfected each day at home. Books will be wiped down after being sealed in a box for 72 hours.

Q. Can my child bring in a water bottle?

A. Water bottles should be brought in but clearly labelled with your child's name on and washed daily.

Q. Can Year 6 bring their mobile phone in?

A. Only if absolutely required, but they will be kept in a zipped wallet and given back to the children at the end of the day.

Q. Can I come into the office if I have a query?

A. Only in an emergency. All contact will be through telephone calls or email as much as possible. We are limiting adults coming onto the premises and ask that you phone or email as much as possible.

Q. Is it compulsory for them to attend school?

A. Current government guidance is that all children should return to school as normal in September. The first day of term is Thursday 3rd September.

Q. What happens if my child has a temperature or is ill before school.

A. Children who have a temperature or are ill before school should not attend school. Telephone or email the school office to inform us.