Year 2

Returning to School

Please find the key information and guidance you need for your child's return to school. We have set this guidance for the safety of the children, staff and parents/carers. We hope that the following information provides you with a clearer picture of what your child's return to school will look like in September.

When does my child return to school?

We have organised a 1 day transition for your child in the first week back to school. This is so parents and children can become familiar to our new systems that will be in place from September 2020.

Your child is in year 2. They will return to school on Friday 4th September for their transition day. They will then return to school full time from Monday 7th September.

Which adults can drop off/pick up?

We kindly request that only one adult enters the school yard to drop off your child, younger children can be brought to school for the drop off/pick up if there is no other childcare available. If more than one adult arrives to drop off/pick up a child then one of you will be asked to leave the school grounds. We request that you do not gather on or near the school site before or after drop off and collection. **Please note that no one, except staff, are allowed inside the premises unless there is an emergency.**

When do I drop off and pick up my child?

We have staggered drop off and pick up times to minimise the number of people on school grounds at one time. It is very important that you strictly abide by these times so overlapping with other class drop off/pick up times is avoided so please arrive at your given time, not before or after.

There will be some flexibility for parents of more than one child

Your child's drop off time is: 9.15am

Your child's pick up time is: 3.15pm

Please drop your child off/pick them up from the key stage one yard.

What does my child wear for school?

Your child will either wear their PE kit or school uniform. On the days that your child is completing a PE session, they will come into school wearing the appropriate kit (White t-shirt, navy/black joggers/shorts and black trainers). We strongly advise that your child's uniform is changed at least every couple of days so it lowers risk of contamination. Depending on the weather, we ask that your child wears a coat to school. You will find out the day your child has outdoor PE on return to school.

What does my child need to bring?

We want to minimise the amount of objects brought in from home. Any items brought into school will be kept at your child's own desk. We will not be using draws or cloakrooms to store any items.

What your child can bring:

- It is essential that your child brings a water bottle; please ensure your child's name is clearly labelled on their water bottle.
- A packed lunch if this is their choice of lunch
- If your child continues to require the same medication as before our closure (E.g. inhaler) we will already have the completed the administration paperwork in school so you will just need to bring the medication with you to hand into your child's teacher. If your child has started new medication please contact us to let us know and we will email an administration form for you to complete in advance of you dropping the medication off. If you do not have a printer, the completed form can be emailed to the school's email address (office@wallsendjubileeps.org.uk), we will then print it and you will sign it on your arrival to school
- Reading books- your child can return the books they have read each Friday.

Your child is not allowed to bring a pencil case or any other toys/equipment from home

What will happen when we get to school?

You will be provided with further information regarding entering and exiting our premises prior to the start of school. It is very important that your child stays close to you until their teacher collects them. Children will line up outside, socially distanced and they will be taken into school by their teacher.

How will school communicate with me if they need to?

Parents are not permitted to enter the school unless there is an emergency. As such any communication (including meetings) will take place by telephone call or email will be offered if a private conversation is needed.

What will my child's classroom environment be like?

We will be following the guidance to reduce contact between people as much as possible. As such your child will only mix within their year group bubble, mostly socialising within their classroom bubble. They will be supported by consistent members of staff and your child will stay away from other teaching staff and groups throughout the day. Each child will have their own desk that will face towards the front of the class so no one is working face to face. The wellbeing and safety of children and their and learning are our priorities. In essence, our plans prioritise, wherever possible, re-establishing the bond between your child, class teacher(s) and teaching assistant(s) and classmates.

In keeping with the guidance we will be planning opportunities for indoor and outdoor learning which will help your child and their group to socialise and resettle into familiar everyday classroom routines. Purposeful, fun interaction will continue between children and staff. Where necessary the resources made available for child-initiated learning have been carefully considered and we have removed any furniture and resources that are not needed. Children will share some resources with their classroom bubble such as games and books. Each child will have their own stationery pack and necessary resources at their desk to minimise contamination and movement around the classroom. Resources will not be shared between different year group bubbles and will be cleaned as appropriate. As a protective measure, your child will be taught to wash their hands frequently. They will also be encouraged, where possible, not to touch their faces or to put objects in their mouths.



This has been our current classroom set up for the children who have been attending school.

What will happen at break times and toilet breaks?

Your child will have many opportunities to work and play outside. We will be following the guidance, avoiding the contact between year group bubbles mixing as much as possible and keeping year group bubbles together during break times and lunch times. So that all children are not moving around the school at the same time, breaks for each year group bubble will be staggered. Staff from their bubble will supervise their time outside. We will be using these movement breaks to encourage the children to use the toilet and wash their hands. Toilets do not need to be allocated to year group bubbles, washing hand thoroughly will be done before and after a toilet break. If your child has a toilet accident, they will be given a clean change from school. These clothes must be washed and returned the next day in a sealed bag. If your child is unable to clean themselves, you

will be contacted to collect your child from school. In line with the guidance the toilets will be cleaned regularly by the onsite cleaners.

What will happen if my child gets upset?

All staff are skilled and sympathetic in dealing with children and know the best ways to deal with this. In line with the government guidance staff, will develop:

● Opportunities for children to talk about their experiences of the past few months

● Opportunities for one-to-one conversations where this may be supportive

● Lessons on relevant topics, for example, mental wellbeing or staying safe

● Pastoral activity, such as positive opportunities to renew and develop friendships and peer groups within their 'bubble'

● other enriching developmental activities

We support the guidance which states that staff will need to strike an appropriate balance between reintegrating pupils into a reassuring and familiar work ethic to support their mental wellbeing on the one hand, and identifying and taking time to address explicitly individual concerns or problems on the other.

What will my child's curriculum look like?

Just as before school closure, your child will experience a varied and full curriculum. The curriculum objectives for each year group have been carefully selected so your child can recap prior learning and learn any key skills they may have missed because of lockdown. We will have a strong focus on mental health, especially while your child starts their new class. We believe that positive mental health is the fundamental contribution to your child's positive attitude and motivation towards their work. Your child will also complete an outdoor PE session each week. This will allow your child to be in an open space, with enough space to stay socially distanced from other children in class.

Will my child still be able to complete homework?

Homework will be delivered remotely to limit items being brought into school. Your child will be given reading books to take home each Monday. On their return day (Each Friday) we will follow guidance by storing books for 72 hours before they are placed back for others to use.

What provision will be in place if my child has SEND?

The established, strong relationships between children, staff (teaching and support) and parents/carers will be important in terms of accurately re-assessing pupil wellbeing and attainment as children return to school. Familiar adults (in school and at home) are best placed to work together to address this. We anticipate that some children will need additional support with their wellbeing and/or learning; established and additional measures will seek to respond to this need. As a school we regularly work with external agencies to support pupils with special educational needs and disability (SEND) with behaviour or other needs. Mrs Miller (SENCo) will check with local authorities or other providers of such support services to ascertain whether or when such services will be available. If your child has an education health and care (EHC) plan, it may not be possible to provide the full range of provision set out in the plan and it may be necessary to make different arrangements if some of the support services are not available in their usual form. If this is the case, we will work with the local authority and you, to confirm what special provision can reasonably be provided on an individual basis.

What will happen if my child is injured?

If your child has an accident a member of teaching staff from their year group partner will care for them. Any more serious injuries will be dealt with in the first aid room which is set up in our hall and the usual school protocols will apply. For example a head injury will result in medical attention and a phone call home. Staff will use normal PPE whilst supporting your child and in some cases, may wear additional PPE to keep them and your child safe. The first aid area will be cleaned regularly by the onsite cleaners and after any use.

What will happen if school suspects that my child is exhibiting symptoms of COVID 19?

Your child will be supported to our designated medical room where they will be made comfortable and safe in isolation. A member of the senior leadership team will stay with your child and reassure / comfort them. You will be contacted immediately and asked to collect your child as soon as practical. Staff will use normal PPE whilst supporting your child and in some cases, may wear additional PPE to keep them and your child safe especially if a distance of 2 metres cannot be made.

We hope this document has answered some of your questions. We feel confident moving forward in September and are looking forward to having your child back in school. Thank you for all of your hard work supporting your child during lockdown.