



Dear parents and carers,

I really want to express how proud I am in how we all collectively pulled together to provide the children of our community with a continued education during the lockdown. Attendance and engagement in the offer were truly remarkable.

To capture this moment in time we would like to receive your feedback through a survey that will be placed on the website.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1OPNJs8P3FLSEJPs3kYWxsGIDUmjRuRrmGLM9ZJcBtlg/edit>

We are really excited to finally have all the children back in school on the 8th March. We have been busy preparing the school ready for your child's return. Many of the arrangements will be similar to those in place in September so we are confident that we can all work together to ensure everyone's safety.

We will once again be staggering start and end times as well as using separate gates.

#### **Our Covid Prevention expectations:**

We expect all members of the school community — children, staff and parents to:

- Not enter the school grounds if you are displaying any of the Covid-19 symptoms
- Follow the NHS Track and Trace system
- To follow any government guidance regarding self-isolation if returning from travelling abroad
- To follow the drop off and pick-up procedures
- Where 2 metres distance amongst adults cannot be adhered to masks will be worn
- Masks must be worn when entering the office

#### **Drop off and pick up procedures:**

- Parents and children must not 'cut through' to Nursery. We know this is an inconvenience but it is important to keep the school safe.
- Please ensure that you stick to the allocated drop off times and pick up your child promptly.
- Children in Year 6 and 5 can still come to school and go home on their own as long as you have already provided permission.
- Please adhere to the one-way system that will be marked out.
- Please follow social distancing - and keep a minimum of 2 metre from the person in front.
- Pupils to be dropped at the door one at a time adhering to social distancing.
- Do not enter the building.
- Only have 1 family member dropping off/picking up children.
- When collecting your child, please maintain social distancing and wait to be called to the door.

There are some changes to the drop of and collection times. Please check below:

| Year Group  | Start Time | End time | Entrance and exit |
|-------------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| <b>EYFS</b> |            |          |                   |
| Nursery am  | 8:45       | 11:45    | Nursery gate      |

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| Nursery pm  | 12:30 | 3:30 | Nursery gate                                 |
| Nursery—Full-time   | 8:45  | 3:30 | Nursery gate                                 |
| Reception   | 9:00  | 3:25 | Main/front gate. Walk across the playground. |
| <b>KS1</b>  |       |      |  |
| Year 1  | 8:50  | 3:30 | Main/front gate. Across the grass.           |
| Year 2  | 8:40  | 3:20 | Main/front gate. Across the grass.           |
| <b>KS2</b>  |       |      |  |
| Year 3  | 8:45  | 3:30 | Main/front gate. Across the main playground. |
| Year 4  | 8:40  | 3:20 | Rear gate onto the back playground.          |
| <b>Year 5 &amp; 6 to be dropped off and collected from the gate</b> |       |      |  |
| Year 5  | 8:30  | 3:30 | Rear gate onto the back playground.          |
| Year 6  | 8:30  | 4:00 | Main gates. Walk across the back playground. |

### Breakfast Club

- We will be offering a Breakfast Club for children of working parents from **Monday 8th March**.
- The breakfast club will also use the bubble system so that children are sat with children from their bubble.
- If you would like a place in the breakfast club, please contact the school office as soon as possible.
- Breakfast club is £1 a day.

### Wrap around care (Daily when school is open 3:30 - 6pm)

- Will start from Monday 15th March
- It will be delivered by Premier. Premier is one of the largest children's coaching companies of its kind in the UK. They work closely with schools across the country, inspiring children to live a healthy, fit and fun life. They have provided the School with a sports coach for the past 2 years. Premier are Ofsted-registered providers who aim to provide an outstanding service for busy parents.
- Further details to follow.

### After school clubs

- We will be offering some after school clubs to individual year groups from the 15th March. Details to follow.

### Morning Football Clubs

Morning football clubs will resume from the week beginning 15th March at 8:00.

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday-Year 6 with Mr Roach
- Thursday and Friday -Year 5 with Mr Roach
- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday -Year 4 with Mr Cumings
- Thursday and Friday -Year 3 with Mr Cumings

### Arrangements for returning of laptops/chrome books

If you have loaned a school device or internet router/dongle, please return to the main office. Please do not return it to the class teacher/TA. Devices should be returned to the main office at a time that suits you, when you would be coming to drop off or collect your child. To ensure you can socially distance and to reduce waiting times, please drop them off on the days shown below:

| Year Group            | Date                 |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 6                     | Monday 8th March     |
| 5                     | Tuesday 9th March    |
| 4                     | Wednesday 10th March |
| 3                     | Thursday 11th March  |
| 2                     | Friday 12th March    |
| 1                     | Monday 15th March    |
| Nursery and reception | Tuesday 16th March   |

- If you have children in more than one year group and have loaned more than one device you can return all devices on the same day.

### Common Questions:

#### Will my child be in a bubble again?

Year group bubbles will continue to operate and used throughout the school day.

#### Will my child need to wear their uniform?

All children should be in uniform.

#### Should my child bring in their PE kit on days when they have PE?

On the days that your child has PE, they should wear their PE kit into school so that they do not need to change in school. This should be navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a white or navy t-shirt.

#### What are the lunch arrangements?

The same lunch arrangements that were in place in September will continue (including eating in classrooms). Children will also make their lunch choice in the morning.

#### What happens at playtime?

Children will play in their year group bubbles.

### **I am feeling anxious about sending my child back to school. What should I do?**

We understand that some parents may be feeling worried about their child coming back to school. If this applies to you, please do let us know so that we can support you. Please ring the office.

The local authority has also organised a mental wellbeing workshop targeted at parents/carers and focused on 'Going back to school' and the experience of home schooling. The workshop will be delivered by mental health professionals from Newham Talking Therapies. The **'Going back to school' workshop** covering:

- how change affect us
- addressing the feelings around children going back to school
- acknowledge the experience of home-schooling
- learn about techniques to engage with change

The Eventbrite link to register is: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/going-back-to-school-workshop-with-parent-tickets-143077808577>

Thank you for your continued support.

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