

Update 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021



Good afternoon,

From tomorrow, all staff will be in school as usual, making sure the classes are ready for the whole school to return on Monday. If your children are learning at home please be aware that the staff may take longer to respond as they will be with the children from their class in Educare. This is so we can separate the bubbles again and minimise any chance of a large number of children having to self-isolate.

A few reminders for next week:

Please ensure you keep to social distancing both on and around the site - particularly by the school gates and on the pavement by the fence at the front. People should not have to walk in the road to avoid a group of parents who should not be congregating.

Face coverings should be worn by everyone on the site, unless you are exempt. For the moment, this includes anyone who has been fortunate enough to have had the vaccine.

Staggered starts and ends to the day are still in place. You can drop off between 8:40am and 9:00am, and pick up between 3:10pm and 3:30pm. Please do not arrive early and cause a queue to form, as this is what the staggered times are there to avoid.

Except in agreed circumstances, only one parent or carer should be on site from each family to minimise the number of people on the site for the safety of everyone. This is irrespective of the number of children you have at the school. It is not one parent per child.

The children will still be washing their hands numerous times a day. If your child needed the milder soap, please ensure staff are reminded on Monday.

Children do not need to bring anything in to school. We have their named stationery packs and water bottles and these will be ready for Monday.

If you have borrowed a device from school, this should be returned on Monday with all charging cables so they can be cleaned and in use for classes as soon as possible.

Children should be in school uniform as normal except for PE days when they should wear their PE uniform. If you have any problems getting school uniform that fits, please contact me before Monday. Uniform is important for children to feel part of the school just like their friends, but I know there may be difficulties in buying uniform if your children have grown since Christmas. I don't want any child worrying

about coming back because they don't have the uniform they need. If you contact me, we can have a chat and I can reassure your child if necessary.

PE days are as follows:

Nursery/Foundation: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 1/Year 2: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3/Year 4: Monday and Friday

Year 5/Year 6: Thursday and Friday

The school dinner menu has not changed and we will be in Week 1. A copy is attached to this email in case you need it. A new menu will be coming out in the next few weeks, ready for the beginning of the summer term.

If your child has to self-isolate in future but is not poorly, they should complete the English and maths activities on the homework card on the school website on the first day. Your child's class teacher will then contact you with specific activities for your child to do until they return to school. If your child is off because they are unwell, there is no expectation for them to complete school work until they return.

Please contact me if you have any concerns about your child returning to school next week.

We are very much looking forward to having a school full of children from Monday, and are very much hoping that this continues for the rest of the year and beyond.

Kind regards,

Claire Prynne