



# School reopening newsletter

## September 2020

### Guidance for parents/carers



We are looking forward to welcoming all our pupils back in September 2020. The safety of our school community is our priority. Therefore, robust measures have been put in place to keep everyone safe. Please follow the guidance below so we can ensure our pupils, families and staff remain safe at school.

### General

**Children and parents or carers are not to enter school if they are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus. Keep children at home if they are unwell and inform the school.**

The school day will remain the same, from 9am-3pm. You must collect your child from their classroom door. Older children will no longer be able to go to their younger sibling's classrooms to be collected. To allow for parents with more than one child to drop off and collect, the school gates will open for an extended time, from 8:45am until 9:15am and 2:45pm until 3:15pm.

During the Autumn term, wrap around care (breakfast club and squirrel club) will not be available. If you urgently need breakfast club, please speak to Mrs Walker, Parent Support Advisor.

Children will be in year group bubbles during Autumn term. Children will not mix with children in different bubbles.

Children are not to bring personal items in from home as this will reduce possible spread of the virus, with the exception of packed lunches.

Parents will not be allowed to enter the school building unless for an agreed appointment. If you need to speak to a member of staff, please contact the school via telephone.

Children will need warm coats as windows will be open throughout the day and children will be outside for some lessons.

Assemblies and parents evenings will not be held during the Autumn term.

All parent communication will be sent electronically where possible. Please ensure you are signed up to parent pay to receive communication from school.

School will not be accepting any cash payments. Parents are to use parent pay to make payments to school.

Homework will be set via the See Saw app. If your child has difficulty accessing See Saw, please contact school.

Temperature guns may be used in school to raise awareness with parents of Covid 19. Further information will be sent out.

Please inform the school office if your contact details have changed.

## **What happens if a pupil displays coronavirus symptoms in school?**

If a child displays symptoms in school, they will be taken to a designated area away from other children and their parents will be contacted.

If a child or staff member displays symptoms of Coronavirus, they must isolate at home for 10 days and seek a Covid 19 test.

### **Attendance**

At Park End Primary, we know that children learn effectively when they regularly attend school.

Attendance at school is mandatory for all pupils from September 2020.

Schools are required to follow up any absences.

We realise that returning to school can be an anxious time for some families. If you have any concerns about your child returning to school in September, please contact the school to speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team or Mrs

### **School uniform**

Children are to wear school uniform on returning to school.

Children will be provided with an indoor and outdoor PE kit.

### **School events**

School events and trips have been temporarily cancelled. We will inform you of new dates and arrangements as soon as possible.

### **Medical information**

Please inform the school office if there are any changes to medical information for your child.

## **How are we following guidance from public health?**

Encouraging good hygiene by promoting the importance of handwashing throughout the day.

Each classroom and area around school having access to alcohol-based hand sanitiser.

Encouraging good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.

Surfaces, equipment and resources will be frequently cleaned throughout the day.

Children will not share resources or equipment in school.

Children will be encouraged to socially distance in school.

Deep cleaning of all school areas will take place at the end of every day.

Children will have staggered and distanced play and lunch times. Children will only see the children in their bubble each day.

Soft furnishings, soft toys and hard to clean toys have been removed from classrooms.

Children will be sitting at forward facing tables and outdoor learning will be encouraged where possible.

### **Lunches**

School will be offering a hot meal or packed lunch during Autumn term. Parents can provide a packed lunch if they do not wish to purchase a school lunch.

Children in receipt of free school meals will be provided with a hot meal or packed lunch.

Children will not mix with children from other bubbles during lunch time.