

# School Information

## Autumn 2021



Updated 1 September

Although measures have been relaxed nationally, we are taking a cautious approach so that we can best keep children, staff and families safe.

### Covid 19

As cases of Covid 19 in Tower Hamlets remain high, we will be keeping many measures in order to protect the school community.

We will be restricting the children to bubbles to some extent, but children will continue to come to school, even if there is a confirmed case, so whole bubbles are not expected to close. If we have an outbreak in school, then we may need to introduce this measure. The staff will wear masks when talking to parents, and we ask parents to do the same.

We will be doing a mixture of face to face and meetings online.

Parents can contact the teachers via the email addresses;

[teachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:teachers@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk);

[receptionteacher@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:receptionteacher@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk) &

[nurseryteacher@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:nurseryteacher@chisenhale.towerhamlets.sch.uk), as appropriate.

The additional cleaning regime will remain, alongside ensuring the classrooms are ventilated. Reminding children of good hygiene, washing their hands regularly and to use 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it, will be in place.

If your child has Covid 19 symptoms, they MUST remain at home, and it is strongly recommended they get a PCR test. If the test is negative, they can return to school.

Please notify the school if your child has, or is suspected of having Covid19 as we can then best judge if there is an outbreak.

## School days

### School opens on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Please remember we have re-instated school uniform on Monday to Thursday, and the children can wear suitable non-uniform on Fridays.

Children will all still need to bring a water bottle to school each day.

PE kits will be needed for Key stage 2. This is a plain white t-shirt and navy shorts/joggers/leggings. The children can come to school in these to save changing.

Key stage 1 children can wear the clothes they come to school in, as long as they are leggings/joggers, a t-shirt and trainers.

Please make sure all of the children's clothes are labelled clearly with their name.

If your child has a packed lunch, please ensure that there is NO nut content including Nutella. Children and adults in school have life threatening severe allergies. Also, please ensure that the packed lunch is healthy. No drinks other than water, no crisps or sweets/chocolate/biscuits/cake products. However, on a Friday a biscuit (not chocolate), or small cake can be given, as the children having school lunch have a Friday biscuit.

### **The start of the day:**

The main gates will open at 8.30am each day.

Years 4, 5 & 6 lessons start at 8.40am

Years 1, 2 & 3 lessons start at 8.55am

The EYFS gate will open at 8.45am for a softer start.

EYFS Parents will be notified of arrangements to come into the classroom and see their child's Learning Journey.

Parents are requested to wear a mask when talking to staff and when entering the building, including the School Office.

The gates will close at 8.55am and children will need to enter via the office and sign in after this time. If you arrive after the gate has closed and have a bike or scooter, they will need to be taken home.

Children in Key stage 1 can come into school before 8.45am and have a bagel in the breakfast club free of charge if they have a sibling coming in earlier.

Please make sure your child is on time. Not only does it disrupt the learning when children are late, but most children feel awkward walking into a classroom late.

### **End of the Day**

We feel that the staggered end of the day and some of the routines have improved the exit of the children and are safer, we will be keeping some of these.

EYFS - will be collected from the gate as they have been, as this safeguards children very well.

The EYFS gate will open at 3.05pm for the Nursery children and 3.15pm for the Reception classes.

In the main playground, Years 3,4,5 & 6, will be lined up at 3.20pm for collection. Parents will be able to come in via the Zealand Road gate and collect their child from the line. They will then exit from the same gate which will be closed at 3.25pm.

Parents cannot stay in the playground, as the next group of children will be coming down to be lined up.

Parents are however, welcome to chat in the Playspace outside of the Chisenhale Road gate. Children in Years 1 & 2 will then be lined up at 3.30pm, and parents can collect their child from the Chisenhale Road gate.

If you have collected an older child, you will need to walk around to the other gate for the younger child. Children will not be able to collect siblings earlier.

Chisenhale Road gate will be closed, but parents can spend time in the new Play-space area.

Please collect your child from the office if you are late. If you arrive after 3.45pm, your child will have been placed in night Owls and you will be charged for the session.

### Breakfast club and Night Owls

Both Breakfast Club and Night Owls will operate as usual.

Breakfast Club opens at 7.45am each day.

Children will be collected from the Office from Night Owls.

Please let the office know the days you would like your child to be at Night Owls, and we ask for a half-term payment in advance.

### Dates for your diary:

Year 5 and 6 Swimming Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October

Half-term: We break up on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October returning Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Parent's Meetings W/B: 1<sup>st</sup> November

### School Contacts:

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Email:

[teachers@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:teachers@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towerhamlets.sch.uk) – for queries to teachers

[covid@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:covid@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towerhamlets.sch.uk) – to report a positive Covid case

[admin@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towehamlets.sch.uk](mailto:admin@chisenhaleprimaryschool.towehamlets.sch.uk) – for general queries and payments

The covid picture is ever-changing and we will notify you as soon as possible if anything changes.