



Full Re-opening of School in March

What parents and carers need to know...

Welcome Back!

We are really excited to be welcoming you all back on the 8th March.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our school community for your hard work and commitment towards ensuring that pupils could continue their learning journey during this time. For many this wasn't easy but you have done it! Now, with your continued support at home, we will carry on that journey in school and ensure the best possible outcomes for our learners.



A list of the main measures to reduce risk...

- Social distancing wherever possible
- Staggered drop off and pick up
- Regular handwashing routines and hand sanitiser stations
- Additional cleaning at the midday point
- Regular cleaning of touchpoints
- Staggered lunches and playtimes
- No gathering of large numbers of pupils e.g. no assemblies in the hall
- No mixing of groups wherever possible
- Individual packs of regularly used equipment
- Cleaning of shared equipment

Drop off and Pick up

- There will be a staggered start and end to the day to support social distancing.
- These will be organised alphabetically by surname:
 - 8:40 – 3:05 – A-G
 - 8:50 – 3:15 – H-O
 - 9:00 – 3:25 – P-Z
- Any siblings with separate surnames should pick which slot they come in.
- Any parents bringing children from different families should arrive at the slot for their family name.
- One adult where possible.
- Please ensure you stick to your allocated times.
- Follow the one way systems (see signage). Staff will be out to support this at the beginning.
- Do not gather in groups on playgrounds or paths.

Snacks and Milk

- Milk is provided for all children in Nursery and Reception
- Milk can be paid for through the cool milk scheme as normal for all other pupils
- The Government fruit scheme will resume for all Early Years and Key Stage 1 children.
- Years 3-6 may purchase toast or bring in a healthy snack from the approved list.
 - ✓ A piece of fruit or vegetable
 - ✓ Breadsticks
 - ✓ Rice cakes
 - ✓ Plain crackers with butter or cheese
 - ✓ Cheese

Personal Belongings and Book Bags

- Children are able to bring the essential personal items from home for their school day, including their book bags and backpacks etc.
- As usual, they should refrain from bringing unnecessary items such as toys.
- Reading books from home will be put in a special box for a minimum of 72 hours and sanitised before being put back into circulation for others to take home.
- Children from Year 1 upwards will change for p.e.
- **IT IS MORE ESSENTIAL THAN EVER THAT ALL CHILDREN'S BELONGINGS ARE CLEARLY NAMED!**

Dowson's Den

- Full Dowson's Den provision will be back up and running before and after school.
- Children will be separated into groups.
- It is recognised in the guidance that these will be 'additional bubbles' where mixing cannot be avoided but should be reduced where possible, hence the splitting into smaller groups rather than one big one.
- Groups will be allocated their own spaces for their provision to be delivered.
- The Dowson's Den team will sign children in at the Lower School Reception main entrance and then out at the Dowson's Den side entrance at night (side door).

After School Clubs

- After School Clubs will not be running for the rest of this half term. We hope that updates in the guidance will mean we can start them after the Easter holidays but we will keep you informed.

Remember for Monday...

- An early night on Sunday in preparation for the day.
- Staggered start and finish times, wear a face covering whilst on school premises and socially distance during drop off and pick up.
- Please bring all books and stationary equipment back to school with you.
- If you have used a school device, please return this (and all chargers and cables) to **Upper School Reception** so that it can be signed back in.
- Don't forget your goodbye ritual