FAQ for parents and carers.

Will the school office be open?

Yes, but parents and children will not be allowed into the office. We will not be accepting late arrivals to school via the office unless this has previously been agreed. Where possible we would ask that parents ring/email the school as opposed to presenting in person.

If you need to collect your child from school early for a medical appointment, we ask that parents ring/email the school and let us know the time you need to collect your child.

What if my child forgets something and I need to drop it off?

Please call/email the office and arrange for it to be dropped off safely.

What if my child requires medication during the school day?

If your child needs medication during the school day, please call/email the office and arrange for it to be dropped off safely.

How can I speak to the class teacher if we are not allowed into school?

You can phone the school office who will pass a message on to the class teacher, use the website contact form/chat facility or email the office

Will my child need to wear a school uniform?

No, we do not need you to send your child back in uniform as we do not think it is necessary for the time being. Please send your child into school in sportswear: joggers, t-shirt and trainers if you can. If you are unable to do this, trainers (or other suitable footwear) are the most important item to wear. This means that they will not need to bring in a PE kit and can carry out all activities without having to change. We would strongly advise that children come to school in fresh clothing every day.

Hats and long sleeved tops may be needed for sun protection. We advise applying long lasting suncream before coming to school.

What should my child bring to school each day?

We only want your child to bring their lunch box if they are having packed lunches. Water bottles can also be brought into school daily. These need to be prefilled at home. They must be taken home each day and washed. Coats and/or hats may be needed, especially as we will be using our outdoor spaces more.

We would advise that you apply long lasting sun-cream if possible before coming to school rather than having to bring sun-cream in. We will not be able to apply sun-cream to any children.

P.E. kits, book bags, ruck sacks, etc will not be required and will help to ensure that classrooms and cloakrooms are as clutter-free as possible.

Will visitors and volunteers be allowed into school?

No until the situation improves, we would prefer to minimise additional adults coming in and out of school.

Will extra-curricular clubs run?

No. These bring too many children into contact and mix the school groupings.

Will there be any trips once school opens?

No. There are no plans to take the children out of the school grounds until further notice.

Where can I find more information about returning to school?

School website: www.gatleyprimary.com

The Government information is provided here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june