

INFORMATION FOR WHOLE SCHOOL RETURN SEPTEMBER 2020

On **Thursday 3rd September 2020** Harrow Gate Primary will open its doors to **all** children. We are very excited to welcome all families back and in order to do this safely there are important protocols and systems in place. Please read this letter carefully and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact school.

Attendance:

In July 2020 the Department for Education stated "School attendance will therefore be mandatory again from the beginning of the autumn term".

From September 1st 2020 Harrow Gate Primary Attendance policy will be enforced. Please refer to the parent information leaflet.

Entry and Exit of school:

All school gates will be open from **8:20** each day. This is to minimise the amount of children and parents moving through restricted spaces at one time.

Please do not bring your child to school before their allocated time. Being late could also cause cross contamination.

Ensure that you respect social distancing whilst on school site

Keep your children with you at all times and ensure that they are not riding bikes / scooters / playing on equipment.

Year group	Entry time	Collection Time	Door
Nursery morning	8.30	11:30	Nursery
Nursery afternoon	12:00	3:00	
Year 2 Year 4 Year 6	8:30	3:00	KS1 entrance Glass Corridor Year 6 Door
Reception Year 1 Year 3 Year 5	8:45	3:10	Class doors KS1 Entrance Glass corridor Year 6 Door

Minimising contact and social distancing

In September, the children will be working in 'year group bubbles'. This will ensure that we minimise contact with other children. Playtimes and lunchtimes will be staggered and separate play areas identified.

Prevention / Protective measures:

We are ensuring that the 4 measures highlighted by the government guidance are followed at all times:

1. *Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell with COVID19 symptoms.*
 - You **MUST** inform school immediately if there is illness in your household and if a test has been returned as positive.
2. *Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual.*

- Routines are clear to all children and staff. Washing hands and use of hand sanitiser throughout the school day
 - Posters in all areas to remind children and staff
 - Children encouraged not to touch their face and mouth
3. *Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'Catch it, bin it, kill it' approach*
- Tissues available in all areas of school
 - Children and staff reminded that coughs and sneezes must be caught in a tissue or elbow
 - Posters around school to remind children and staff.
4. *Enhanced cleaning, including frequently touched surfaces, using standard products such as detergents and bleach*
- All rooms have anti-bacterial spray and disposable roll
 - Surfaces touched by children and adults wiped at regular intervals

Learning resources:

Children will not share resources outside of their year group 'bubbles'.

Pencil case provided for each child with all equipment needed.

All resources that are shared, for example PE equipment, will be cleaned after use.

School Uniform:

Full school uniform policy applies to all children from September

Red jumper / cardigan

White shirt / polo shirt

Grey or black trousers / skirt

Red gingham summer dress

Black school shoes - NO BRANDED TRAINERS

There is no expectation for uniform to be cleaned more than usual or in a different 'specialist' manner.

PE Kit:

As before, children are to come to school in their PE kits on their identified days. The kit they will need is:

White polo shirt / t-shirt

Red or black shorts

Grey or black jogging bottoms

Black plimsolls or all black trainers

The children are to wear their red jumper / cardigan

Assemblies and school events:

Until further notice, we will not be able to hold whole school assemblies and invite parents into the building.

A R T awards will be given to children in school as part of a virtual whole school celebration.

We will ensure that parents receive a photograph via dojo of their child receiving their award.

Work celebrations:

As with assemblies, we are unable to invite families into school at this time. Teachers will place share achievements via Twitter, Dojo Class Story, Dojo portfolio and videos on the

school website. This will ensure that all families are able to share in their child's learning and successes.

Educational Visits:

We are hoping to take the children on educational visits and have provisionally booked some.

Children will remain in consistent groups and ratios followed in line with all COVID19 protective measures.

As normal, school will undertake full and thorough risk assessments in relation to all educational visits.

If you require any further information, please visit the school website.