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Our Plans for September

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are greatly looking forward to welcoming everyone back to school next Monday (7th September). I realise that there may still be some anxiety but equally am sure that all of you will be looking forward to a return to some kind of normality and to your children receiving the in school education that they so deserve. In this letter I will remind you of some of the key points to be aware of for the new year.

The Department for Education has specified a set of actions schools must take to ensure prevention of the spread of the virus, and response to any infection. These will be in place when the children return. Below are some details about how this will look for us at Jubilee. Should you wish to see our full risk assessment please find the link on the front page of our website.

- Year groups will work as “bubbles”. Children and staff will remain within their class bubbles and only mix with the other class in a year group at break and lunchtimes. There will be no unnecessary contact between the bubbles.
- There will be staggered start and end times to the school day, and also staggered break and lunch times to avoid contact between bubbles.
- We ask that only **one adult** brings their child in and collects their child at the end of the school day. This is important in order to reduce the number of adults around school at collection time.
- Parents/carers will need to leave the school site as soon as they have dropped off or collected their child/children and are asked not to congregate outside of the school.
- If you have more than one child at the school, and end times vary, you will need to make sure you make arrangements for the collection of all children. Please note that you may not be able to rely on an older sibling collecting a younger one if their times vary.

Year Group	Start Time	Finish time	Entrance/Exit point
Nursery	9am	3.30pm	EYFS entrance
Reception	9.15am	3.15pm	EYFS entrance
Year 1	8.45am	3.15pm	KS1 playground
Year 2	9.15am	3.45pm	KS1 playground
Year 3	9am	3.30pm	Main office entrance
Year 4	8.45am	3.15pm	KS2 playground
Year 5	9.15am	3.45pm	KS2 playground
Year 6	9.00 am	3.30pm*	KS2 playground

- If your child arrives late to school and has missed their bubbles entry time, they will need to ring the bell at the office where someone will let them in and will then escort them to their classroom.
- There will be high emphasis on hygiene and handwashing for all those attending school.
- There will be regular additional cleaning of rooms and resources.
- Bubbles will avoid sharing indoor spaces wherever possible. Where this is not possible, spaces will be cleaned between use.
- Breakfast club will begin on Monday 14th September. We will be in touch soon with further information about this.
- We are not yet reopening the after-school club provision run by Kids City; however, we are keeping this under constant review and will inform you if this changes. Some after school activities - such as outdoor sports clubs, will be made available where we think it is safe to do so and further information about this will be coming out shortly.
- When lockdown started, we relaxed our uniform policy, but from the start of this new term we ask that children once again attend wearing full school uniform. This should be clean, but it has been specified that uniforms do not need to be cleaned more than normal, or with methods that are different to normal.
- Pupils will be eating lunch in the lunch hall with their year group bubbles. We are still able to offer the choice between school dinners and pack lunches. Please let the office know by phone if you would like to change your child's meal plan.
- All pupils will be provided with their own Jubilee water bottle. Once they have received their water bottle these will need to be cleaned regularly at home. Please do not bring in other non reusable water bottles.
- Each pupil in school will be provided with a resource pack, including age appropriate equipment for them to use. For all children, this should include a whiteboard, whiteboard pen and rubber, and pencils. Children should not bring in their own stationary or other toys and equipment from home.
- Your child will be allocated online books to read at home via Bug Club. They will also receive a book in their book bag once a week.
- Homework will be given out once a week via the Google Classroom (there will not be any homework books going home).

Procedures If a Pupil Develops Symptoms

No child who shows coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms should be brought to school. The school office should be informed of their reason for absence as soon as possible by telephone.

To remind you, the main symptoms are:

- **a high temperature** – this means your child feels hot to touch on your chest or back, or has a temperature of 38°C or more.
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if your child usually has a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste** – this means they have noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

Also, you must not send your child to school if:

- Someone in the household is showing symptoms
- You are told by the NHS Test and Trace service that anyone from your household has been in close contact with a positive case and have been asked to self-isolate.

- You have travelled to a country [not on the travel corridor list](#), when you must quarantine on return to the UK.

If a child develops symptoms of the virus whilst in school, we will inform parents immediately. They will be removed from their bubble and isolated as they await collection.

If anyone in your household is displaying symptoms you must all stay home and self-isolate. In this instance, you should follow these steps:

- [Arrange a test](#) if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform the school of the results as soon as possible.
- If the test is positive, follow [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), and help NHS Test and Trace reach your contacts. If you or anyone in your family feels that they cannot cope with their symptoms at home, their condition worsens, or their symptoms do not get better after seven days then use the [NHS 111 online service](#). If you do not have internet access call NHS 111, and for a medical emergency dial 999. Do not delay getting help if you are worried and trust your instincts.

We ask that any child that has attended school and developed symptoms be tested. The school should then be informed of the test results. If a child tests positive, then parents of children in the same bubble will be informed. This will not necessarily lead to the bubble closing, and until you are told otherwise, children will be expected to attend school as normal.

When lockdown began in March, the government made it clear that no parent or carer would be penalised or sanctioned for their child's non-attendance at school. From September however, **it will be mandatory for all children to return to school**. This is to minimise the risk of any longer term impact from the pandemic on the children's education, wellbeing and wider development. This means that the usual rules on school attendance will apply, including:

- Parents' duty to secure that their child attend school regularly
- School's responsibility to record attendance and follow up absence.

While the aim is clearly to have all pupils back in school in the autumn, schools have been warned to plan for the possibility of a local lockdown. In this event, we will continue to develop our use of the Google Classroom. Children who return in September will also be supported by staff to ensure they understand how to access their classroom and submit work. We want to ensure all our children continue learning if we are forced to close again.

I hope you feel reassured that we are doing everything we can to keep our community safe, but we are available to speak to if you should have any further questions (please contact us via the phone number or email address at the top of this letter).

We cannot wait to welcome you all back.

Yours faithfully

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