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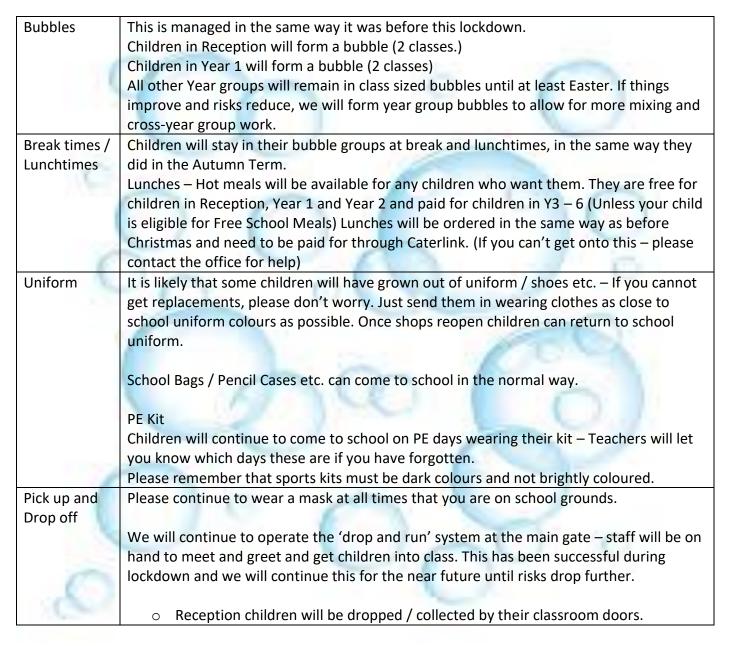
RE: Full return to school 8th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know, we are all due to school on March 8th. YAY!

All of our children are expected to return on this date and our normal routines and systems will re-start.

There are a number of things which I would like to share with you, so you know how things will work once we are all back to school.



 Year 1 please come in and leave by the Church Gate and use the external classroom doors. Year 2 and 3 please use the playground Year 4/5/6 arrive and leave through double green gates at the top of the carpark staff will be there in the usual way. Collection at the end of the day: Children are all collected at the same place where they are dropped in the mornings. If you have more than 1 child, don't worry, staff will wait for you to arrive. We are NOT operating a staggered start / end to the day. Doors will open at 8:45am and the day will end at 3:30pm. Breakfast and After School Club will continue to be run for the usual hours (7:30 – 8:45 and 3:30 – 6:00pm) Please make sure you book this in advance through Scopay. Handwashing Children will be reminded all about handwashing and hygiene on return to school. and Hygiene If your children needs hand wash or hand cream as they have sensitive skin, please send this to school for them to use. Please make sure they are clearly named. If your child has any symptoms of COVID DO NOT send them into school. Please keep Poorly children them away from school and get a test booked. Please let us know if your child needs / has a test. If children have any symptoms at school they will be isolated and you will be called to collect them and book a test. All isolation guidance from the Government and Public Health England still applies. This is all we know at the moment – when we get information about how you can access Rapid Testing **NEW INFO** tests we will let you know. DfE Guidance states: Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff Around 1 in 3 people with coronavirus (COVID-19) do not have symptoms but can still pass it on to others. Regular testing of people without symptoms (asymptomatic testing) is important to help stop the virus spreading. As lockdown restrictions gradually ease, we all need to play our part to help protect each other. On Sunday 28 February, the Department of Health and Social Care announced that from Monday 1 March, households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return from Monday 8 March. Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary, secondary and college staff can also be tested. Twice-weekly testing will also be offered to adults working in the wider school community, including bus drivers and after school club leaders. The twice-weekly test kits can be accessed: via employers if they offer testing to employees • at a local test site by collecting a home test kit from a test site · by ordering a home test kit online

Schools should not give test kits to parents, carers or household members and should not order more test kits for this purpose. Letters containing advice on where to access testing will be made available for schools to share with parents and staff shortly.



Curriculum Provision

We are currently putting together a curriculum plan for the three weeks before Easter, which will detail our priorities for Teaching and Learning and prioritise the well-being of our children. When this plan is completed, we will let you know what our priorities are for this initial period back at school and then how our assessments will be used to determine our priorities for the rest of this school year.

Pastoral and well-being needs of children and families

If you have any pastoral or well-being concerns for your children, please make contact with the class teacher before the children return. This will allow our staff to be aware and be able to prepare to offer support from the very start of being back at school.

We are currently planning a re-vamp and a relaunch of our nurture provision, including using 'Phoenix Club' to support children who may need some extra care and attention, support to build resilience or time out of class to improve their mental health, well-being and engagement levels.



We will be operating this provision on a referral basis, based on conversations between teachers, parents and external agencies (where relevant), ensuring that we can offer really targeted support to each child whom attends. There will be more information about Phoenix Club when we have finalised dates and planned the logistics of how this will be staffed. We will also share how the referral system will work and how you can refer your child to attend the club.

Parents Consultations

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Once we have the children all back in school and we are back in the swing of things, we will plan for parent's consultations. More information will follow in future weeks, once we have firm plans about when this will be and how it will work.

Best wishes for the rest of the weeks and we will see you all on Monday!

Mrs Morrall