

NEWSLETTER

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Return to school in September

Children from YI to Y6 will return to school on Thursday 2nd September.

Children in Reception and Nursery will start from Monday 6th September

Schools received guidelines from the Department for Education last week. The government's main priority is to make sure that children are in school learning and to limit any disruption caused by Covid.

What are schools expected to do from September?

- Good hygiene for everyone
- Maintain good cleaning routines
- Keep rooms well ventilated
- Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing positive cases
- Staff will continue to take Lateral Flow Tests twice every week
- Have a contingency plan to show how we will deal with positive cases

What has stopped?

- No bubbles
- No requirement for staggered arrival times, playtimes, lunchtimes and leaving times
- No one way system
- No social distancing
- Staff/parents/visitors not expected to wear masks in shared areas of school

So what will happen from Thursday 2nd September?

- All year groups (except Nursery) arrive at school from 8.50-9.00am. Parents say goodbye to their children on the yard then children go straight in to their classroom. There will be no need for lining up or waiting around on the yard
- We are using the same entrance/exit points as last year. Year 6 Football Yard; Year 5/Year 4/Year 3 Key Stage 2 Yard; Year 1/Year 2 Key Stage 1 Yard; Reception & Nursery EYFS entrance
- We will still be limiting contact between year groups
- At playtimes and lunchtimes, two year groups will be together on the yard and when eating dinner in the hall e.g. Year I and Year 2 will have the same playtime and lunchtime so they will be on the yard and in the hall together
- Children will remain in their own classroom for the majority of the school day so will be

largely separate from all other groups

- Assemblies will continue online initially
- Nursery times will be the same as last year. The morning session is from 8.30 to 11.30am and the afternoon session is from 12.00 to 3.00pm
- At the end of the day all year groups will finish at 3.00pm. Teachers will bring their year group out on to the yard ready to handover to parents. All children from Nursery to Year 4 must be picked up; parents may decide Year 5 and Year 6 children can walk home by themselves. Please fill in and sign this form so teachers know you have given your permission
- Remember your child needs to wear school uniform every day and to bring a P.E. kit that stays in school all week
- Year 6 will be swimming in the Autumn Term. Their first session will be on Friday 10th September. Miss. Reed will send parents further information next week

What next?

We will review this plan during the last week of September and then feedback to parents.

We may make changes to the plan when appropriate, before this review date. Again updates will be shared with parents.

We will follow the Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan when necessary. This is attached as a separate document.

What's happening next?	
All Year 1/2/3/4/5/6 children start school	Thu 2 nd September
Nursery re-opens	Mon 6 th September
New Reception children start school part-time	
New Reception children start school full-time	Mon 20 th September

We are looking forward to welcoming everybody back for this new academic year and appreciate your ongoing support!

