

Burton Green Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Ash Atherton



Friday 22nd May 2020

Information for parents of children who are returning to school in June

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that this letter finds you and your families safe and well.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. Although we are living in unprecedented times, the staff have appreciated the kind words and messages from so many members of our school community.

This week we have taken direction from the City Of York Council and **will now open to increased pupils from the 2nd June**. We will be closed (except for key workers children) on Monday the 1st of June to ensure all staff have time to prepare the school for the increase in pupils. **We will also be closed each Friday** for the foreseeable future, in order to deep clean and sanitise the school. We will await further guidance from The Hope Trust, the City of York Council and The Government regarding the 2nd June. We will update you as soon as we find out any further information.

Key information:

- We have increased our cleaning capacity to ensure that surfaces, handles and other priority spaces are regularly sanitised throughout the day
- Children will be placed into peer group 'bubbles' of a maximum of 15 children and allocated constant adults that will work solely within this group
- The children in each 'bubble' will learn together, eat together and play together
- Children should bring the bare minimum onto the premises each day e.g. packed lunch, named water bottle and coat.
- Children are expected to wear clean uniform each day
- Children will need to bring a P.E Kit which can remain in school
- Children will not be able to bring reading books or other resources to and from school.

Morning drop off routine

In order to minimise the number of people on the school site, drop off and pick up will be limited to strict staggered time frames. We are encouraging families to limit drop off and pick up to **one** adult where possible in order to avoid large groups of people from congregating. Please avoid bringing siblings who are not attending school into the school grounds.

Year Group:	Drop off arrangements:
Nursery & Reception	Please arrive between 9am and 9.30am. Parents cannot enter the EYS outdoor area but must wait, 2 metres apart, outside of the gate. Mrs Atherton and Mrs French will support with this. An adult will come out to collect the children one by one.
Year One	Please arrive between 9am and 9.30am. Entrance to school will be through the Year two classroom. Please wait on the playground with your child until an adult comes out to meet them.
Year six	Please arrive between 9am and 9.30am. Entrance to school will be through the Year Six classroom.
Other Year Groups who are attending school e.g. Key worker children	Please arrive between 9am and 9.30am unless using breakfast club. Entry to breakfast club is through The Office at 8.30am. Entrance to school at 9am will be through Miss Tutill's classroom.

Break time and Lunchtime

Children will take staggered breaks within their group and will be allocated a large area of the playground to play within. Hot dinners will be available.

End of the day

At the end of the day, children will thoroughly wash their hands and then will be brought to one of the outside locations (see below) where parents will collect from a 2m social distance. Parents and children will be asked to vacate the school premises as soon as possible. Once again, please can we ask for single adults on site without siblings who are not attending school.

Time	Group	Location
2.30-3pm	Nursery & Reception	Carpark/Community Garden. Parents stand 2 metres apart and children will be brought outside to you.
	Year 1	KS1 Playground. Parents to stand two metres apart and children will be brought out to you through the Year 2 classroom door.
	Year 6	KS2 Playground
	Key Worker	KS2 Playground

PPE

Wearing a face covering or face mask in schools is not recommended. Rather, there should be effective social distancing measures in place. Children wearing face masks may inadvertently increase the risk of transmission as they need to be handled in very specific ways that they are unlikely to manage effectively.

School Office

Please only enter the school office in an emergency situation. Staff will always be available via telephone and we will ensure all queries are answered as soon as possible. Children must not be collected outside of the agreed times unless for emergency appointments.

Breakfast and After School Club

These are only open to key workers and will be available from 8.30-9am and until 3-4pm (unless longer sessions are agreed with Mrs Atherton.)

Coronavirus cases

The key points from the government guidance are:

- A child displaying symptoms compatible with coronavirus will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 7 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days.
- All staff and children who are attending school will have access to a test via the NHS if they display symptoms of coronavirus.
- Where the child or staff member tests negative, they can return to school and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.
- Where the child or staff member tests positive, the rest of their bubble will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days.

The other household members of that wider bubble do not need to self-isolate unless the child or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms. It is, of course, of the utmost importance that you only allow your child(ren) into school if they are fit to attend and should you notice them develop any of the symptoms as detailed by Public Health England, they should remain home for the suggested isolation period. If you would like to read the full guidance on what should and shouldn't be implemented regarding protective safety measures in schools, including around PPE and what happens if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in a school setting, this can be accessed here: [Implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings](#).

Rest assured that we are taking all measures within our control to ensure that school can remain open for as many children as possible, as safely as possible.

As ever, if you have any further queries then please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Atherton