

YEAR 6 RETURN TO SCHOOL PACK

Dear Parents & Carers,

This pack will ensure you are aware of key points as **Year 6** pupils return to school.

Our first priority is the safety and well-being of the children and staff. Please make sure you have read the Year 6 letter which we sent out alongside this pack. I understand the information is overwhelming but we want to ensure you are clear about the measures we are taking as a school to ensure our setting is as safe as we can make it at this time. You are also clear then as to how seriously we are taking these measures as a school and staff. Key messages may be reiterated verbally to your child or parents when they are on school site and signage will also reinforce routines we now have in place.

NO ONE SHOULD COME INTO SCHOOL IF THEY FEEL THEY HAVE SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS:

- New, continuous cough
- High temperature
- Loss of taste or smell (anosmia)
- Shortness of breath

Staff have received training and have to adhere to a timetable in their bubble. This means that the contact with pupils from other bubbles will be none. As a staff we have created an addition to our behaviour policy to support all pupils and staff staying safe at this time. **Please read this through with your child.**



As a school, we are strictly following government guidelines to keep children and staff safe in school. This addendum to our behaviour policy will highlight the temporary changes to incorporate this guidance.

We will continue to use our three Golden Rules as a basis for behaviour expectations in school.

1. Do as you are asked first time.
2. Take care of everyone and everything.
3. Show respect at all times.

We will continue to follow our current system of using the 'Peg Charts' to support behaviours in the 'Bubbles'.

Children **must follow instructions first time.** See the additional instructions specific to the coronavirus:

- Follow timings and instructions for your staggered start and finish
- following school instructions on hygiene, handwashing and sanitising your equipment at the end of each day
- following instructions on who pupils can socialise with at school – stay in your bubble!
- moving around the school as per specific instructions: one way system / stay out of areas out of use
- follow expectations about sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoiding touching your mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- tell an adult if you are feeling unwell
- do not share equipment / drinks bottles / food
- follow staff instruction at breaktimes and lunchtimes about where you can plan and how you play together
- use the toilet sensibly and wash your hands
- never cough at or spit at any other person – even as a joke.
- do not use the coronavirus to underpin any sort of behaviour which could be deemed as bullying

If children do not follow these instructions, they will move down the behaviour chart in their 'bubble'. This will give a time to reflect on their behaviour. If behaviour does not change, they may be asked to take some 'time out' to reflect further. They will then spend the rest of the session in a separate isolated space (tent pods on the school field). If these behaviours continue, parents/carers may be contacted to collect the child from school.

Due to our strict 'bubble' system, children will not be able to take reflection time in paired class. If felt necessary, they may be instructed to take this time in the outside tent pod. Following these instructions are critical to us running a safe school and as such, **if a child regularly refuses to follow our Golden Rules, then their place at our current provision may be removed and home learning would re commence.**

We are aware some children may struggle with these expectations and will carry out individual risk assessments. This will be put together alongside the parent and child.

We acknowledge these guidelines may take additional effort from children in school and will recognise this with "golden time" or rewards based on the discretion of the individual bubble teacher.

A senior member of staff and DSL will always be present on site.

Parents are expected to support the school in these amendments to the school behaviour policy.



Key Messages for parents to consider:

All members of our school community are being asked to **avoid the use of public transport** to get to school.

You must – when you are on school site – **follow social distancing guidance**. There will be signs around school to remind you of this and we will have staff supervising many areas of the school site. They have been asked to repeat key messages on social distancing so please be respectful when listening to them.

You know us well at school and we very much will work with you to get this re-opening of school as right as we can for your children. **Talk to us calmly if you have any concerns**. We want to hear your feedback and we will do our very best to ensure your child is safe and happy in school.

If you have to come to the main reception area, only one adult will be permitted in the area between the external doors and internal doors. Any one waiting is reminded to stand well back – leaving at least 2m between you and the next parent. **Do contact us via phone or email. This will continue to be our main method of communication at this time.**

**CATCH IT
BIN IT
KILL IT.**



REMEMBER KEEP WASHING YOUR HANDS.

YEAR 6

How do I enter school?

- **Year 6** children **MUST** enter through the Eastglade Road gate, wash their hands at outside toilets sink and then line up on the white lines near the gravel area
- **A staff member is on supervision for arrival at school**
- **A staff member will supervise hand washing outside school**

- **Children will need to wear UNIFORM.** If bits of uniform don't fit – don't worry. Send them in an appropriate alternative. Just do your best! (E.g. wear shorts if your school trousers don't fit)

- Chn can wear trainers for the whole day
- Bring a spare T Shirt for PE
- We advise you wash your child's uniform every night
- Please make sure you are wearing suntan lotion on sunny days and bring a hat (we will be outdoors as much as possible)

- We advise children **bring a labelled water bottle.** If they do not – they will be given a plastic disposable cup.
- Ideally bring 1 bag. No more than this. (obviously you may have a lunchbox too)



Dinners:

- You can choose to send your child in with a packed lunch or order (as usual) a dinner via ParentPay. The kitchens are running as usual. Your child will eat with their bubble. Play with their bubble at lunchtime / breaktime.
- Children will eat in either the dining hall or in their classroom with their 'bubble'

- The **school day will run with reduced hours** to allow us to stagger drop-offs, pick-ups, breaktimes and lunchtimes and to allow for additional cleaning, e.g.

'Knights Bubble A' = 9:15am – 2:15pm
(MRS BYRNE & MR WATSON)

'Crusade Bubble A' = 9:30am – 2:30pm
(MISS ELEY & MISS BROOKES)

- There will be NO breakfast club provision or After School Club provision. If you are a keyworker, you may be entitled to **"pod provision"**. Contact Mrs Bridges for details of this.

- Only one parent will be able to drop off or pick up their child, and parents will not be able to enter the school building unless in an emergency.
- Parents and children must observe social distancing when coming to and from school



• At the end of the day, each 'bubble' will be dismissed (from smiley faces 2m apart on the exit route out to Eastglade Road) and children must go home immediately. If parents are collecting their child – we are asking that you wait on the pavement by the Eastglade Road exit rather than come onto school site • If you are happy for your child to walk home alone, you will need inform your child's bubble teacher by email	
• There will be additional points for children to understand in our behaviour policy, e.g following requests around hygienic measures etc. These points are in this pack • Children will wash their hands often throughout the day • Children will be taken to the toilet and supervised with hand washing • We will teach and go over certain hygiene routines • We will have a daily PSHE session to support every child's emotional wellbeing • We will encourage children to be doing as much physical exercise as we can. Any PE equipment used will be cleaned between sets of 'bubbles'	
• Fortnightly learning booklets will be prepared by Year 6 staff and left in the boxes on school site for any pupils who do not attend school. You can also request this to be posted out to you • There will NOT be a weekly timetable emailed out to Year 6 once Bubble School begins • Teachers will NOT be able to respond to emails in the way they have been doing – the office will be in contact weekly with parents of children not attending school	
• There will be signage around our school to remind everyone of staying alert to coronavirus spread prevention • Windows / external doors are open to increase ventilation. Send your child with a jumper. It can get cold! • Our plans mean we are taking every possible step to follow government guidelines whilst ensuring we are acting with the safety of our pupils and staff at the heart of every decision we make	

I will remind you that Mrs Byrne has made a video which you can access from the website and in the Year 6 remote learning folder  [Year 6](#) . This will help you see what a school day will look like with these protective measures in place. Look at it with your child and talk to your child about how they are feeling.

Bubble School will be a different experience from when we broke up on Friday 20th March. The children's safety and well-being are our top priority, and all of our decisions about how we re-open will be based on the welfare and safety of the children and staff.

If you have further questions, please do get in touch.

Our first Year 6 bubbles are full. If your child is not yet signed up to Bubble School and you would like them to attend, please email Miss Eley or Mrs Byrne. Please do NOT just send your child into school without prior arrangement with school.

QUESTIONS YOU MAY ASK:

Q) What if I decide not to send my child into Bubble School but after a few weeks, I do want them to come in?

YOU CANNOT “JUST SEND YOUR CHILD INTO SCHOOL” School MUST be aware your child is coming. Depending on staffing – you may have to wait until the start of a week – a Monday for your child to start school so we can ensure we have staff ready and classrooms ready. School and home MUST keep in contact about any decisions you make.

Q) What if my child is sick? Do I keep them off school?

Yes – as you usually would. **Call school if you are unsure. If you feel your child has any symptoms of coronavirus – follow this advice and CONTACT US AT SCHOOL***

Staff and pupils who report the following symptoms remain at home for 7 days. Their household members must remain at home for 14 days:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss of taste or smell

Where the pupil or staff member tests negative, they can return to their setting and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.

Where the pupil tests positive, the rest of their class or group within their childcare or education setting are sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days. The other household members of that wider class or group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

Q) What if my child or someone else in their bubble shows coronavirus symptoms?

We have a designated “sick bay” in school. They will be taken there and you will be asked to collect them and contact NHS / self-isolate.

Our school is also well stocked in PPE for staff. If your child has suspected coronavirus symptoms – a staff member will wear PPE whilst they administer care.



Q) Does my child need their PE kit in school? Will they be getting changed for PE?

No. Your child will not need PE kit – just trainers they can wear all day and a spare T-shirt.

Q) What if my child does not follow instructions e.g. following one way system / not washing their hands when asked to?

I hope this will not happen. However, if a child is not following instructions, you will be asked to collect them and consequences will apply as usual.

Q) What does my child need to bring to school?

As little as possible. They need their water bottle / spare T shirt / lunchbox. Children do NOT need their Learning Log or reading book. Staff have been instructed to sanitise books which are brought in from home. We will NOT be sending things home for children to bring back to prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

Q) I am worried about my child's transition to Y7... what will be in place to support them?

We are working with many of the feeder secondary schools and there will be opportunities for transition activities to happen. It is unlikely (for most children) that these will take place at the secondary school but instead will be via remote means. You will be hearing from secondary schools in the next few weeks.



Q) What about social distancing – how can this be possible in a school?

This cannot be guaranteed, children by their nature want to be close to each other, hug and make physical contact. We will try and discourage this in a 'friendly' way but there will be times when contact between pupils is made inevitably. The government guidelines state that they are aware it is very difficult to socially distance younger children but we will do our very best to do so all the while trying to ensure they have a positive experience

Q) How can I communicate with my child's class teacher?

Best to contact via email. If it is more urgent, call the school office.

Q) Will my child have temperature checks on entry / through the day?

No this is not being recommended by the guidance. If your child became unwell at school however – we may check their temperature.

Q) Can my child wear PPE? A face covering?

It is recommended that they don't because masks / gloves can easily become contaminated by touching of hands and mouth but we will not prevent children from wearing this if parents chooses to do so on the understanding that staff won't be responsible for managing it in school. Running around in the playground in PPE is not recommended.

Q) Will staff, wear PPE?

Again it is not recommended but if staff choose to wear it then that will be their choice

Will my child receive a written report at the end of the year?

Yes. You will receive a report as usual in mid July. There will obviously be no SATS results on this but we will include predicted Teacher Assessments.

If your child is attending Bubble School, please **email** Miss Eley or Mrs Byrne to say that you have read and understood the above information. Don't forget to let us know if your child will be collected at the end of the school day or walking home alone.