

Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you to those of you who have given feedback on the attached document, and those of you who have sought clarification on certain issues. The attached is an updated version, and I have inserted the amendments in red for your convenience. Please read this fully, and please note that there are several things we need your help with. It would be very helpful if you could talk through the points made with your children before they return. As said in the previous message, I would be hugely appreciative if you could send your children to school with a personal supply of sanitiser; the more pupils having this the more effective our routines will be. I also urge you to send your children to school fully equipped, so they do not find themselves unable to borrow the essential 'pencil case' items. I also ask you to provide them with items such as their own glue stick and maybe a whiteboard pen; the more of their own things they have the more effective the measures we have put in place will be.

Please can I specifically draw your attention to the issue of face coverings. If your child travels on a bus and does not have a face covering they will not be allowed onto the bus. Also, current advice to schools states that wearing face coverings is not recommended other than in areas where distancing is not possible. We hope that a really effective one way system and distinct areas for year groups, when not in lessons, means we will not need to insist on this, but we will change this if we feel it necessary.

All information such as new lesson routines, hand washing/sanitising expectations, adjustments to the timings of the day, the one way system and year group areas will be given to pupils on their first morning back. Please let them know that when they arrive at school on Monday 7th September there will be staff ready to receive and direct them. It is essential that if the weather looks wet they have a waterproof jacket or coat, as we only intend to come inside at break and lunchtime if it is very wet.

Although the measures put in place have been considered at significant length, they will be constantly monitored, and I am confident we will adjust them once we see how well they work in practise.

Thank you in advance for your help in ensuring our pupils are fully ready for school!

Yours sincerely
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