

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to confirm the arrangements for pupils' return in September. If you have any concerns about any of the following arrangements please do contact us as soon as possible to allow us to reassure you and consider any accommodations needed. All of the arrangements below allow us to follow Government Guidelines and will be reviewed continually and hopefully reduced or removed as soon as it is safe to do so.

To ensure everyone's safety we have implemented Covid-secure 'bubbles' and there will be staggered start and finish times for all pupils to help minimise unnecessary contact.

What are Bubbles?

Bubbles are a term used to describe Covid-Secure groupings of pupils that seek to minimise unnecessary contact with others. Groups will be kept separate throughout the day, including having separate toilets, thus reducing risk to all.

Timings of the Day

Below is a table that shows the different start and finish times for all pupils and which 'bubble' they will be part of. You will have been informed of the class your child will be in next year and all details in this letter relate to their new class, not their current one.

Bubble Name	Classes	Start Time	Finish Time
Arctic	Penguins and Turtles	09:00	14:00 Friday at 12:40
Pacific	Manta Rays, Marlins and Dolphins	09:15	14:15 Friday at 12:55
Atlantic	Nautilus, Orcas and Sharks	09:30	14:30 Friday at 13:10

What to do if you or a family member has ANY symptoms linked to Covid-19

In these circumstances please do not travel to school under any circumstances. Instead please notify the school of your child's absence in the usual way, contact the NHS and follow their advice. You are likely to be told to have a C19 test and we would ask that you confirm with us that this is negative before your child returns to school.

If we feel that a pupil possibly has symptoms upon arrival, we will not allow them to enter the building and will give further guidance.

What will happen if my child becomes unwell whilst in school?

We will monitor their symptoms in a Covid-Secure room where a member of staff will remain safely with them. By sending your child to school you are also agreeing that if necessary, they will be picked up during the day by you if Public Health England advise this.

Transport

To ensure we can maintain the integrity of our bubbles, please ensure that you arrive on time and during your allotted 15 minute pickup/drop off time. If you are early/late you may be asked to wait and this could be cause delay for others.

Arriving at school

For pupils arriving by car/taxi: Pupils and adults must remain in their vehicle upon arrival. A member of staff will come to you and instruct you when it is safe for the pupil to leave the vehicle and enter the building. No adults should leave their car or enter the building.

For pupils arriving on foot or bike: Please wait on one of our 6 distancing spots (see photo below) and wait for instruction from a member of staff. In the unlikely event that all 6 spots are being used, please maintain social distancing and wait outside the school grounds for one to become available. Please have only 1 person arriving at school with your child where possible.



Leaving School

For pupils leaving by car/taxi: Pupils will be walked to waiting vehicles by staff. Adults should not leave their vehicles.

For pupils arriving on foot or bike: Please wait on one of our 6 distancing spots (see photo above) and wait for instruction from a member of staff. In the unlikely event that all 6 spots are being used,

please maintain social distancing and wait outside the school grounds for one to become available. Please have only 1 person arriving at school to collect your child where possible.

What Can Pupils Bring to School?

Please only allow your child to bring essential items at this time. They are expected to be in full school uniform (clearly labelled) and bring;

- PE Kit, on days it is needed.
- Water Bottle with their name on it.
- Optionally, any stationary items such as pencil case, pen and pencil.
- Healthy lunch box if they are not having a school meal.

If a transition object is needed please ensure that it can be easily sanitized in school (ie. no soft toys).

Are You or Your Child Worried About Returning?

Hopefully this letter reassures you that it is safe for pupils to return. However, if you have any individual concerns please do contact our Learning Support Team who will happily discuss any concerns and possible accommodations we can make.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school in September and thank you for supporting these changes to allow us to do so. I wish you all an enjoyable and happy summer break.

Best wishes,

Mr Jackson

Principal