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Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents

We are delighted that we can welcome all children back to school next week from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, as outlined by the government last week.

More than ever, we are going to need parental co-operation to enable the children to return safely and to keep the risk of Covid transmission as low as possible. As before Christmas, children will be in their class bubbles and we must follow guidance strictly to minimise the chance of bubbles closing.

Parents are responsible for their children before and after the school day and staff are responsible once children have entered school.

**What are my responsibilities as a parent?**

- Keep your child off school if they have any Covid-19 symptoms or if anyone in the household or anyone the child has been in contact with, tests positive.
- Ensure children are on time each morning and collected at their pick-up time (if you are late, you will be asked to wait until all other children have entered/exited school).
- Ensure you and your children are socially distanced at all times when coming to and from school (we rely on parents to role-model this to children).
- Ensure you stick to your child's drop-off point (Gates A, B and C at the main entrance), do not enter the coned area and keep the entrance and pavements clear for children.
- Only 1 adult per family to drop-off and collect children in order to reduce numbers (Key Stage 2 children with permission may walk to and from school).
- Do not park close to school; do not park on pavements and avoid turning in Wavell Road.
- Ensure masks are worn by all adults and Key Stage 2 children near the school gate and when coming in to school, unless prior arrangements have been made. (Children in the lower school may also wear masks if parents wish).
- All messages to school should be communicated via the school office or email address – please do not speak to adults at the gate.
- Ensure children come to school in PE kits on their PE day (no PE bags allowed).
- Children must not bring other items such as pencil cases, bags or toys.
- No bikes or scooters in school.
- If children bring lunches from home, ensure that this is in a disposable bag **(To book a school packed lunch, please see separate communication)**.
- Reading records, reading books and homework books to be brought to and from school on Fridays only: **but please do send home learning exercise books into school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup>.**





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### **What else will school do to help minimise risk in school?**

- A robust risk assessment will be done so all staff know how to follow procedures.
- All staff will have twice weekly Covid-19 tests and will self-isolate in the case of a positive test.
- Social distancing will be in place, relative to the age of the children.
- Children will stick to class bubbles of 30 children or fewer including lunchtime.
- Adults will stick to class bubbles wherever possible.
- Children will have allocated places on a seating plan in Years 1-6.
- Classrooms will be arranged so children are distanced and they do not touch the same items.
- Regular cleaning and sanitising of contact points to take place throughout the day.
- Where possible, activities will take place outside.
- Regular hand-washing and sanitising will take place including at break and lunch.
- Assemblies will continue to be virtual.
- Only essential visitors will be in school.

### **Start and Finish Times:**

You must be on time. If you are late, you will be asked to wait until all other classes have entered/exited school. If you have more than 1 child, please stand well clear of the coned area whilst waiting.

Start	Gate A (Pedestrian)	Gate B (Vehicle)	Gate C (Vehicle)
8:30	Y2 Woodpeckers	Y6 Tawny Owls	Y4 Ospreys
8:35	Y1 Nightingales	Y2 Kingfishers	Y5 Sparrowhawks
8:40	Y1 Skylarks	Y6 Snowy Owls	Y5 Peregrines
8:45	Reception Robins	Y3 Eagles	Y4 Kestrels
8:50	Reception Wrens		Y3 Merlins
8:55		Nursery (Ducklings)	

Finish	Gate A (Pedestrian)	Gate B (Vehicle)	Gate C (Vehicle)
2:40		Nursery (Ducklings)	
2:45	R Robins		
2:50	R Wrens		
2:55	Y1 Nightingales	Y2 Kingfishers	Y2 Woodpeckers
3:00	Y1 Skylarks	Y3 Eagles	Y3 Merlins
3:05	Y5 Sparrowhawks	Y6 Tawny Owls	Y4 Ospreys
3:10	Y5 Peregrines	Y6 Snowy Owls	Y4 Kestrels





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## **PE and Forest School Days:**

**On children's PE days, they must come to school in PE kit (see below).**

**Year 1 should come in PE kit on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.**

	<b>PE</b>	<b>Forest Schools</b>
Monday	Y1 Skylarks Y1 Nightingales	Ducklings
Tuesday	YR Wrens YR Robins	YR Wrens YR Robins
Wednesday	Y6 Tawny Owls Y6 Snowy Owls	Y5 Sparrowhawks Y5 Peregrines
Thursday	Y2 Kingfishers Y2 Woodpeckers Y5 Sparrowhawks Y5 Peregrines	Y1 Skylarks Y1 Nightingales
Friday	Y4 Ospreys Y4 Kestrels Y3 Merlins Y3 Eagles	Y3 Merlins Y3 Eagles

### **Kit:**

**Reception** (Wrens and Robins) do Forest Schools and PE on alternate **Tuesdays**.

They need to wear trainers or plimsolls, jogging/tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt and school jumper. They will also need their coat and should have their wellies in school.

**Mrs Kinderman and Miss Cole will be in touch on Tapestry to tell you which week each class is doing Forest Schools and PE.**

**Years 1-6** will need to wear PE kit (with a school jumper) on their PE day: trainers, jogging/tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt, school jumper. **No hoodies or other jumpers.** For Forest School day they should wear normal school uniform but may wear dark coloured jogging/tracksuit bottoms. They will also need their coat and should have their wellies in school.

**\*If your child's wellies are not currently in school, please bring them in for their first forest school session\***





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### **Guidance on Symptoms**

To reduce the chances of bubbles closing, we must follow the government's guidance strictly. Please report to school any positive Covid-19 tests within the household or if you know of any contact with someone who tests positive. **DO NOT** send your child to school if they have any symptoms.

### **Guidance on Symptoms**

**If your child develops any symptoms of Covid-19, he/she and any siblings must not come into school for 10 days from the first day of the symptoms.**

#### **Symptoms are:**

**High temperature; New/Continuous Cough; Loss of Smell or Taste**

You must arrange for your child to be **tested** as soon as possible.

If your child receives a **negative test**, he/she and any siblings may return to school.

If your child receives a **positive test**, he/she and any siblings should remain off school for 10 days from **the date of the positive test and school must be notified.**

If it is known that your child has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, your child must isolate for 10 days, even if they have no symptoms.

Thank you very much for your co-operation. We are looking forward to welcoming all of the children back to school on Monday.

Kind regards,

Mrs Johnson,  
Principal

