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Reopening of school on March 8th

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, Monday sees the return of all our pupils back to school and the staff and pupils working in school are very excited to see everyone again.

Our amended risk assessment, available on our school website, reflects the changes necessary to maintain the safety of our children and staff as we reopen fully once again.

Start and finish times for year groups

Following the success of our staggered start and finish times in reducing the volume of people on site at any given time, we will continue to implement this system. A reminder of the times for each year group is detailed in the table below. Part of the success of this system in the Autumn term was that parents/carers did not arrive at school before their child's allotted time and I ask that you continue to do this. Please can I remind you that we have a one-way system throughout the school site in order to manage the social distancing for families on arrival and departure from school. Once again, we request that whenever possible, only one adult per family enters the school grounds during their child's allocated drop off and collection time, and that you promptly collect your child and leave the site.

	Start Time	Finish Time
Nursery AM	8.30am	11.30am
Nursery PM	12.10pm	3.10pm
Nursery 30 hours	8.30am	2.30pm
Reception	9.00am	3.15pm
Year One	8.50am	3.05pm
Year Two	8.40am	2.55pm

Whilst on site, please adhere to our 'by your side' policy, keeping your child with you at all times and do not allow your child to play on the play equipment that may be set up for outdoor learning after registration.

We still ask that all adults entering our site wear a mask or alternative face covering to help minimise risk of transferring the infection.



Forest school

As part of our curriculum entitlement, all children access a Forest School session during the week. We have carefully designed a timetable to ensure each class has a session led by our Forest School Leaders. We ask that if your child's Forest School session is in the morning, you take your child to Forest School for registration. If your child's session is in the afternoon, we ask that you collect your child from Forest School at the end of the day. Please see the timetable below for further details. A letter for Nursery was sent earlier this week.

	AM	PM
Monday	BFGs	Enormous Crocodiles
Tuesday	Fantastic Foxes	Gruffalos
Wednesday	Superworms	Smartest Giants
Thursday	Busy Bugs	Honey Bees
Friday	Hungry Caterpillars	Nursery

Attendance

From 8th March, attendance will become statutory again and all pupils will be expected to attend every day. Holidays in school time will not be authorised. Please report your child's absence to school as usual. School **will not** close early on a Friday.

RESPONSE TO ANY INFECTION

It is important to remember that anyone displaying COVID-19 symptoms should book a test which is available for all children, including those under 5. Tests can be booked online through the NHS [testing and tracing for coronavirus website](#) , or ordered by phone via NHS 119. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and will be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. If the test is positive, it is important that you provide details of anyone you have been in close contact with.

If someone tests negative, or if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Other members of their household can stop self-isolating.

Anyone with symptoms or anyone who has received a positive test should follow the guidance available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>.

If you have a positive test result but do not have symptoms, stay at home and self-isolate as soon as you receive the results. Your household needs to isolate too.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, arrange to have a PCR test if you have not already had one. Stay at home while you are waiting for a home self-sampling kit, a test site

appointment or a test result. You can leave your home in a few specific circumstances, but do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis. If you need to leave your home to get to a test site, observe strict social distancing advice and return immediately afterwards.

If you are notified by NHS Test and Trace of a positive test result you must complete your full isolation period. Your isolation period starts immediately from when your symptoms started, or, if you do not have any symptoms, from when your test was taken. Your isolation period includes the day your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you do not have symptoms), and the next 10 full days.

You can return to your normal routine and stop self-isolating after 10 full days if your symptoms have gone, or if the only symptoms you have are a cough or anosmia, which can last for several weeks. If you still have a high temperature after 10 days or are otherwise unwell, stay at home and seek medical advice.

If you are isolating because of a positive test result but did not have any symptoms, and you develop COVID-19 symptoms within your isolation period, start a new 10 day isolation period by counting 10 full days from the day following your symptom onset.

If you develop COVID-19 symptoms at any point after ending your first period of isolation you and your household should follow the steps in this guidance again.

Illness

If a child becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or high temperature, or has a loss of or change in their normal sense of taste or smell, they must be sent home and follow the COVID-19 guidance about self-isolating.

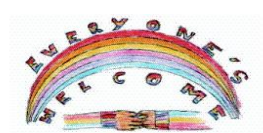
If anyone in an education or childcare setting becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and advised to follow the [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection guidance](#).

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

Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, the rest of their bubble should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 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.

Contact Details

During lockdown, staff worked hard to contact families whose children were accessing remote educational provision to 'touch base' and offer support as necessary. For some families, this became more difficult due to incorrect or old contact details. Please could we



ask that if you have recently changed your phone number, you inform the office to update your child's records.

Lateral Flow Testing for Staff

Staff in school now have access to a LFT Covid-19 test twice a week. Should a member of staff test positive, the class/bubble will close whilst the member of staff completes a full PCR COVID-19 at one of the drive-in testing centres. If a second test is positive, it means that the member of staff was a positive asymptomatic case and the class/bubble must self isolate for the isolation period.

Lateral Flow Testing for Families

All households with children of school age to get 2 rapid COVID-19 tests per person per week. Whole families and households with primary school, including childcare and support bubbles, will be able to test themselves twice every week from home as schools return. The nearest collection centre for many will be Doncaster Airport in Finningley but you can also check your nearest collection point [here](#) . When you arrive at the collection point, you will be asked how many children/people are in your household and which school your child attends.

Remote Teaching

Should a child or class bubble be sent home either due to a positive test or to self-isolate, staff will provide remote teaching and learning sessions as before. Further details will be sent to you via your child's class teacher.

We are really excited to welcome back all pupils on March 8th – we've missed you all!

Yours sincerely,



Mr Bell
(Headteacher)

