



## CURRENT GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

### Stay alert

We can all help control the virus if we all stay alert. This means you must:

- stay at home as much as possible
- work from home if you can
- limit contact with other people
- keep your distance if you go out (2 metres apart where possible)
- wash your hands regularly

Do not leave home if you or anyone in your household has symptoms.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

Children are likely to become infected with coronavirus (COVID-19) at roughly the same rate as adults, but the infection is usually mild.

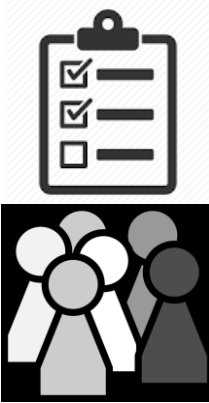
If anyone has any of the symptoms above they should self-isolate at home.



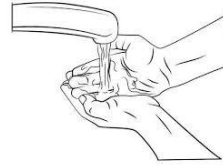
### Attendance:

Pupils are expected to be back in school full time. The government have stipulated that attendance is mandatory. Please do contact us as soon as possible if you have any specific circumstances which may prevent your child from returning to school as expected. Our children return to school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

## HOW ARE WE MAKING SCHOOL AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE?



We have conducted extensive risk assessments and we will review these regularly.



Everyone will wash their hands thoroughly throughout the day.

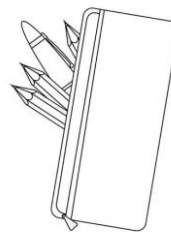
Children will remain in their year group bubbles as much as possible.



There is hand sanitiser in every classroom and at every entrance and exit.



There will be an extended period for drop off and pick up to prevent too many people being on site.



Children will have their own resources as much as possible.



We have an enhanced cleaning schedule.



There are staggered break times and lunch times.



There is a one-way system at drop off and pick up.



We have put signs, posters and markers all around school.

## BUBBLES

Our bubble system will continue but now each year group will be a bubble. This is designed to limit the number of people staff and children come into contact with.

Children will stay in bubbles throughout the school day. There may be a maximum of two bubbles in the hall or outside, but they will not mix. Large gatherings will not be permitted, so whole school assemblies will not take place initially. Teachers and teaching assistants will try to remain with one bubble, but are permitted to teach in other groups if needed.

We will operate staggered breaks and lunchtimes to minimise contact between bubbles.

## CURRICULUM

We will continue to offer a broad and balanced curriculum, with all subjects being offered fully by the summer term.

Our initial focus in September, will be to 'build up' children's knowledge and skills so they can engage fully in their year groups curriculum. Staff will assess where the gaps are in children's knowledge and plan accordingly.

Government guidance currently states that schools can resume educational visits. These may be limited during the Autumn term. The government is currently advising against overnight, residential visits. We will advise you if and when this changes.

## RESOURCES

Every child will be provided with an A5 zippy bag containing a pencil, a sharpener, a rubber, a ruler and a set of colouring pencils. Staff will encourage the children to keep these in their trays or lockers when they are not using them.

Any shared resources, such as paint brushes, iPads etc, will be cleaned before and after use using anti-bacterial spray or wipes or left for 72 hours.

It is recommended that pupils limit the amount of equipment they bring to school each day. Therefore, children should only bring their reading book, reading diary, water bottle, snack and packed lunch. No toys, games, footballs or pencil cases will be allowed in school.

Coats and bags will be stored in lockers (Y1-6). We will not be using the coat pegs, so it is essential that everything fits in a locker.

## SCHOOL AND CLASS RULES

- Stay with your bubble.
- Put your hand up if you want to get up to go to the toilet or to get a tissue.
- Ask a teacher before you go to the toilet at playtime.
- Only one child to go to the toilet at a time
- Avoid touching others.
- Children are not to be inside the school alone during lunch time or dinner unless they have asked to go to the toilet.
- Put tissues in the bin
- Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze
- Follow instructions
- Tell someone if you feel unwell



Staff will spend time teaching the children these rules and modelling them to them if they don't understand.

We will continue to use Dojo points to encourage children to demonstrate the behaviours we want to see. Please contact the office if you require log-in details for Class Dojo.

## PUPIL ARRIVAL

School gates and doors will open at 8:35am. Please refrain from gathering at the gates. Reception pupils will enter via the Reception outdoor area. Y1 and Y2 pupils must enter via the KS1 corridor (opposite school house). KS2 must enter school via the KS2 corridor door (opposite the office) or KS2 fire door (between the Y3, Mrs Pirie's and Y6, Mr Collier's classroom).

During the on-going building work, parents and children must enter via School Lane, using either the gate by Mr Collier's classroom or the large gate next to pre-school.

	
<p>School Lane gate – KS2 drop-off</p>	<p>School Lane gate – Rec/Y1/Y2 and alternative KS2 drop-off</p>

For those KS2 pupils using the fire door between Y6 and Y3, they must enter via the small gate on School Lane. Any parents accompanying them, should continue up the path and exit via Newcastle Road (by the bike rack).

For those children entering via the other entrance points, they will enter site using the large gate on School Lane, next to pre-school. They must follow the arrows and cones until they reach the entrance point, they require. Any parents accompanying them will then exit via the same gate they came through but ensuring that they keep to the left.

				
<p>Reception drop-off and pick-up point</p>	<p>Year 1 drop-off and pick-up point</p>	<p>Year 2 drop-off and pick-up point</p>	<p>Y3-5 drop-off point (siblings)</p>	<p>Y3-6 drop-off point</p>

When dropping off, please distance from other parents.

Parents must not enter school. Staff will need to try to maintain a 2-metre distance from other adults. If your child becomes upset, they will step forward to comfort and reassure so that parents can depart.

Only one parent can drop off and pick up. This is to reduce the number of people on site. **Parents must leave immediately and must not congregate outside school.**

Please refrain from entering the school office and instead contact staff via phone or e-mail. We cannot facilitate meetings with staff in school presently. **If you must come to the office, please note only one person may be in the entrance hall at one time and you must wear a mask.**

## BREAKTIMES

Year 5 and Year 3	10:10-10:30am
Year 1 and Year 2	10:30-10:50am
Year 4 and Year 6	10:50-11:10am

Reception pupils will access their outdoor area throughout the morning and have their snack at a natural break in their activities.

Children are welcome to bring a healthy snack to school. Alternatively, they can purchase toast and juice from the school kitchen. Snack must now be pre-ordered at the start of the day. Staff will complete an order sheet and send it down, along with payment, to the kitchen and snack will then be brought to the classroom. Children can also place an order on Monday for the whole week. We ask that the correct change is used to pay for snack. Toast is 25p and juice is 25p.

Each year group will have their own set of playground equipment to use at breaktimes and lunchtimes.

## LUNCHTIMES

	In Hall	Outside
Reception	Midday	Outdoor area
Year 3 and Year 5	11:50am-12:10pm	12:10-12:30
Year 4 and Year 6	12:10-12:30pm	12:30-12:50pm
Year 1 and Year 2	12:30-1pm	1-1:20pm

Reception will have a nursery approach to lunch times and eat in their classroom to begin with

Hot lunches will be offered again in September. The menu can be found on our school website.

Packed lunches will be kept in lockers to prevent them being touched by other children. Can we please remind parents that items containing nuts must not be included in packed lunches.

Children will wash their hands before eating and they will only sit with children from their year group. Windows will be open.

We have reduced lunch time in order to accommodate the earlier collection window at the end of the day. This will ensure no learning time is lost.

Tables and chairs will be cleaned before and after the children eat. Children will sanitise their hands on the way out to play and they will wash their hands at the end of lunch break.

## PICK-UP

Parents can collect children between 3:05-3:20pm. Classes will be in their allocated space by 3:05pm.

Reception	EYFS outdoor area (opposite the field)
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Year 1	KS1 corridor door
Year 2	Y2 classroom fire door.
Year 3	Artificial grass by School House
Year 4	Outdoor classroom on the playground.
Year 5	KS2 fire door (between Y3 and Y6)
Year 6	School office entrance

			
Reception drop-off and pick-up point	Year 1 drop-off and pick-up point	Year 2 drop-off and pick-up point	Year 3 pick-up point

		
Year 4 pick-up point	Year 5 pick-up point	Year 6 pick-up point

As children will be outside for up to 15 minutes, please ensure that they have a hooded coat in school every day in case it rains.

As with drop-off, only one parent should collect.

Parents must follow the one-way system and must observe social distancing if waiting on the playground.

Parents must leave the playground immediately.

With the amended one-way system, we would suggest parents who have children in Upper Key Stage 2 (Y5/Y6) and other year groups, that they collect the younger child first and then proceed out the large gate on School Lane, past pre-school and then through the small gate by Mr Collier's classroom to collect their older child.

We have changed pick-up points to ensure all children will have shelter whilst awaiting collection. As Y6 will be in the main entrance area, parents must not come to the school office at the end of the school day.

## CLEANING

We have reviewed our cleaning schedule and ensured there will be opportunities for cleaning throughout the day. Every classroom will be provided with necessary cleaning equipment so staff can clean surfaces regularly throughout the day.

Any shared resources used between classes will be wiped before and after use.

Any equipment which cannot be cleaned has already been removed or, if needed, will be quarantined for 72 hours.

## HANDWASHING AND HYGIENE

Children and staff will need to wash their hands, with soap, for 20 seconds regularly throughout the day. Paper towels will be provided to dry hands and the bins will be emptied regularly.

We will recommend that children wash their hands when:

- they arrive
- when they go to the toilet
- before they eat
- after they come back inside
- when they cough or sneeze on their hands

Every classroom now has a sink.

Hand sanitiser is to be used in between and this can be found in every classroom and corridor. Children in KS2 are welcome to bring their own providing they can use it responsibly.

Small, lidded bins have been provided in each classroom for used tissues and we will be promoting the NHS message, 'catch it, bin it, kill it.'



## SUSPECTED CASE

If anyone develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, parent will be phoned and asked to collect their child immediately. Please ensure the school office has the best number to reach you on.

Whilst awaiting collection, we will take the pupil across to School House and seat them upstairs, with a window open. A member of staff will remain with them and will reassure them. Staff will be wearing PPE.

Children will then be collected from School House, via the entrance on School Lane (Brereton Bears and Pre-School Gate).

All staff and pupils who display symptoms must access a test provided by the appropriate health care professional. This will not be arranged or carried out by school, but we can help you seek further advice if your child or someone in your household becomes unwell. **Parents must inform school immediately of the results of a test and follow this guidance.**

1. **If someone tests negative, 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.**



- If someone tests positive, they should follow the [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#) and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal. Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days.

## TRACK AND TRACE

If any children or staff test positive, the rest of bubble will be advised to 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.

## WATER BOTTLES

Children have access to water throughout the day from their own water bottles. We ask that these go home each night, are cleaned and return filled with clean water.

## UNIFORM

Children should wear full school uniform on their return to school.

## PE

We ask that children wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. These are shown below and any changes will be communicated by class teachers.

Reception	Friday
Year 1	Thursday
Year 2	Friday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Monday
Year 5	Wednesday
Year 6	Tuesday

This year Multi-flex will be supporting staff in delivering PE every Wednesday. Each half term they will work with the following year groups:

Autumn 1	Year 2	Year 6	Year 5
Autumn 2	Year 1	Year 4	Year 5
Spring 1	Reception	Year 3	Year 5
Spring 2	Year 2	Year 6	Year 5
Summer 1	Year 1	Year 4	Year 5
Summer 2	Reception	Year 3	Year 5

Please note, if a year group has their Multi-Flex session that half term, they may not run their usual PE lesson. Class teachers will communicate this to parents at the start of the half term.

Multi-flex will also be working with Brereton Bears after school every Wednesday.

## Outdoor Learning

This year we will be developing our outdoor curriculum. During these sessions, children will be outside for the afternoon so they will need a waterproof hood with a coat and wellington boots. Depending upon the activity, staff may request that children come to school in old clothes that parents are happy for them to get dirty.

Reception and Year 1 will have a session each week. Years 2-6 will have one session a fortnight.

	Week A (Beginning 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept)	Week B (Beginning 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept).
Monday	Year 6	Year 5
Tuesday	Year 1	
Wednesday		Year 4
Thursday	Year 3	Year 2
Friday	Reception	

## COMMUNICATION

Staff will need to distance from parents at the start and end of the day. We therefore ask that all questions or concerns are raised with staff via the school office. Staff will then arrange a phone call or a meeting via Microsoft Teams.

However, we greatly appreciate the support of our parents so we want to ensure that you are kept fully informed of what is going on in school. Staff will continue to send a topic web each half term which will highlight key areas of learning. We will also be sending home Target Tracker reports at the end of each term.

Parents can write messages in pupil planners but we ask that the children hand these into staff on arrival at school to ensure they are seen on the same day. Alternatively, staff on morning duty will be happy to relay messages to teaching staff.

We will continue to use Class Dojo to send messages and pictures. Parents can use the message service to communicate with parents. Please note, all staff access the same account so please do not send anything confidential, instead phone the school office. Staff will reply to messages as soon as they can between 8am and 5pm.

Staff will endeavour to keep parents informed about the learning in class. They will use Class Dojo to send individual images of work. Class blogs on the school website will be added at least fortnightly. We will also continue to use Facebook and Twitter to share photos.

## FIRST AID

Staff will wear PPE when administering first aid and they have been trained in how to use it. If prolonged contact is required, we will phone parents to assist.

## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Brereton Bears will now be based in the school hall. Each year group will have their own mat and table to work/play at in an attempt to keep children separate. However, the children's well-being also needs to be considered, so children may mix with those from other year groups when necessary. We will endeavour to use

the outdoor space as much as possible, as the risk of transmission is lower outside.

Reception pupils will continue to access Brereton Cubs over at Pre-school.

In order to staff the provision appropriately, booking will be essential. Booking forms can be found on our school website.

Parents must wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting children from Bears. Only one person should enter the entrance hall at one time.

## BUILDING WORK

Over the summer, work to install a new heating system has progressed well. All internal work will be completed before the children return to school. Work will continue in the boiler room, which is located next to the blue side gate. The team know that access to the path and gate will be required by parents between 8:30-9am and 3-3:30pm but please be mindful of this when entering the school site and do not let children run along the path.

## USEFUL RESOURCES

The following websites may help you to discuss the return to school with you child.

[www.elsa-support.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Coronavirus-back-to-school.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0hxtdBolJryDJHsCGRCwCgsetab\\_oe\\_jlbNx\\_PWGR6djHZlok+llp\\_jeUXk](http://www.elsa-support.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Coronavirus-back-to-school.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0hxtdBolJryDJHsCGRCwCgsetab_oe_jlbNx_PWGR6djHZlok+llp_jeUXk)

[www.brighthorizons.com/family-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid19](http://www.brighthorizons.com/family-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid19)

[www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/spotlight-on/coronavirus/supporting-children-in-your-setting-coronavirus/](http://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/spotlight-on/coronavirus/supporting-children-in-your-setting-coronavirus/)