



28th May 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Re: possible reopening of school to more pupils in June

School will reopen on 1 June to Year 6 pupils only. On Tuesday 2nd we will have Year 1 return and Reception on 3rd June. If you are a keyworker and have no other childcare, school will be open from the 1st June.

It's a very unsettling time for us all, but rest assured that we're going to be doing everything we can to make sure we're ready to receive these year groups if it's safe for our school to reopen in the coming weeks.

We have created a detailed action plan so you know what the school's reopening will look like in practice. Precautions we'll be taking:

Year group	Start time	End time	Pickup/drop off
Rec	10.00am	15.00	Piers Rd main front gate
Y1	9.45am	15.00	Piers Road Main playground gate
Y6	9.45am	15.15	Main playground Scholar's Close gate
Others	10.00am	15.15	St Michael's Hill gate

When you are collecting and dropping off your child, please ensure that you do so from the correct point and that you are observing the correct social distance measures. Please do not come too early as we do not have crowds congregating around the school. Please also pay attention to any posters or guidance given so that we can make the site as safe as we possibly can.

When children are dropped into school we will be taking their temperature with an electronic thermometer before they enter the building. If temperature is high you will need to take them home and self-isolate. If your child or any person that they have had contact with develops symptoms, they should not be brought into school and you should contact 111 for further advice and keep school informed.

Your child will be taught within a "bubble". This means that they will be allocated a group and they will stay with that group at all times. They will not be able to mix with another bubble. They will be taught Reading, Writing, Maths and PSHE as well as having daily outside games. Some children will also get extra support from qualified staff (this may be academic or emotional). Bubble sizes will be kept as small as possible but will not exceed 15. We cannot guarantee that social distancing will be possible as this will be dependent on numbers attending, size of class and the fact that children will have to get used to staying away from each other. Children will take part in activities outside but will again stay within their bubbles for this, playtimes and lunchtimes.

Children should wear clean clothes each day, school uniform is not necessary. They should only come into school with their lunch bag and water bottle.

Please note, if you are receiving free school meal vouchers and your child returns to school, you will no longer receive them.

Cleaning will be thorough and a member of the site team will be in school at all times. Communal areas and toilets will be cleaned throughout the day. Children will have access to warm water and soap and will need to wash their hands regularly. We also have anti-bacterial stations around school.

We have spoken to most families that are able to return to school if they choose to. If we have not been able to speak to you, we are available during school hours for you to talk through any concerns. It is your choice whether you send your child in and you will not be penalised if you choose not to send your child back to school. If you do not send your child in, we would expect that you ensure that they are completing the online learning that is set for them and engage with their class teacher.

If your child is clinically extremely vulnerable, or living with someone who is in this group, they should not come back to school and should continue home learning. If your child is clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable), you should follow medical advice to decide if they should come back to school. Please refer to [government guidance](#) for further details of these groups.

We'd like to thank you for your continuous support in helping your child learn from home. We'll keep you updated once we know more about when schools will be able to reopen for other year groups.

If your child will remain at home beyond 1 June, we'll continue to support you and them with home learning, and meal support for those eligible. Please do continue to stay in touch with us about how your child is getting on.

If you wish to send your child into school (those from Reception, Y1 and Y6) then please complete the booking form on our school website. **We will only admit children that have booked in on the website.** You will need to agree to follow rules set out by the government on social distancing and rules that we will adopt in school in order for your child to attend so that we can keep our school community as safe as possible. If you are having problems with the website then please call us.

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Johnson or Mr Rogers on the school number.

Warm regards,

Melanie Johnson