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Hunton & Arrathorne Community Primary School

Return to School

Thursday 25th February

Dear Parents,

We are very excited to be fully re-opening for all pupils on Monday 8th March 2021 and are grateful for the Government for the timely release of information, which allows us to prepare. We appreciate the hard work both yourselves and the children have put into remote learning and the efforts everyone has gone to in order to ensure our community remains as safe as possible.

Below is some important information about re-opening. Please take some time to ensure you read it carefully – there is a lot of information to digest!

Attendance

School will re-open on Monday 8th March 2021 and the government guidance is that attendance is compulsory for this date except for illness or in the event of self-isolation.

Hygiene Procedures

We will continue to operate a rigorous risk-assessment, which will be updated regularly, this will be largely similar to the way in which we operated in the autumn term and include increased hand-washing, promoting good respiratory hygiene, ensuring all school areas are fully ventilated and continuing our enhanced cleaning programme.

Drop-Off and Collection

There will now be one drop off window for all children. The school gate be open between **8.45-9.00am for all children**. We have kept a large window to ensure arrivals are staggered, but also to ensure that all children get the time in school to which they are entitled. Parents should leave their children at the gate and **not enter the school playground**. We would also appreciate it if parents could continue to wear **face coverings** when dropping off and collecting pupils. Please ensure only one adult drops off and collects children.

Collection times will remain the same as last term – Class 1 children who do not have siblings will finish school at **3.05pm** and Class 2 and 3 children, along with Class 1 siblings will finish school at **3.15pm**.

Uniform & P.E Kits

Children should come to school in their uniform. Ventilation is a key part of our risk-assessment, so children may wear **layers under** their school uniform on cooler days. I hope that with spring on the way everyone will enjoy feeling the spring air! P.E kits should continue to be brought to school separately. To aid social distancing, break times will take place outside so a waterproof coat is essential.

Face Coverings

The guidance states that **primary aged children do not need to wear face coverings** in school. Staff will wear face-coverings in communal areas and may wear face coverings when working in close proximity with a child (for example, 1:1 reading, administering first aid or intimate care.)



Testing

Our staff have been completing regular lateral flow testing whilst working in school with key worker children. Staff will continue to test twice per week. We will be asking regular visitors to school to complete self-testing as well to ensure the highest standard of health and safety for everyone.

Remote Learning

Should your child need to self-isolate due to Covid-19 we will continue to follow the Remote Learning Plan, which is available on the school website. Please ensure you are familiar with this as there are different levels of remote learning depending on how long your child will be off school for.

Curriculum

The full curriculum will continue to be taught, including P.E. Class 3 children will revert to the January plan of needing to bring their Forest School kit on a Thursday until the Easter holidays. Due to leisure facilities continuing to be closed, swimming will not take place at this point.

School Lunches

School lunches will continue to be provided as normal from Monday 8th March.

Wraparound Care

Wraparound Club will recommence and follow the usual opening hours. Please contact Mrs. Godlee if you need to make a booking.

Belongings from Home

Children should bring the minimum possible belongings from home, so unfortunately we will not be allowing anything which is **not essential** for the school day.

Symptomatic Individuals

Should anyone in your household present symptoms of Covid-19, you **MUST NOT** send your child to school. In this instance you should:

- Self-isolate the whole household immediately.
- Book a test by following this link <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test>
- Continue to isolate until your test result is returned.
- If the test is negative the household can return to work and school.
- If the test is positive inform NHS Track and Trace of any close contacts. In the case of a positive test result within your household/support bubble we would also ask that you inform school immediately.
- If a child presents symptoms in school they will be isolated, supervised by a member of staff, and you will be contacted immediately. It is your responsibility in this instance to collect your child from school immediately and your whole household will need to begin the process listed above.

I hope this letter gives you some clarity of what to expect when children return to school. We will all be working very hard to ensure the children return in a safe way and are able to enjoy the final three weeks of the spring term! Please do let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Kind regards,



Mr. S. Donaldson

Headteacher