



Church Hill Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: 8th March Reopening

Before outlining the full opening of school to all our children it is important for me to thank you all again for the dedication and patience that you have shown since January. It has been the most trying of times and both myself and all the staff thank you for the help that you have given your children with their work.

To confirm, school will re-open to all children on Monday 8th March and attendance will be mandatory from this point forwards. I am pleased to inform you that the routines and systems in place in school have not changed since December so the children will be returning to familiar expectations.

The systems we follow are based on the updated DfE guidance document and the aims are to support all children to return safely and to minimise any risk whilst at school. Our risk assessments and re-opening documents have been reviewed again and can be found on the school website if needed.

A summary of our Covid Safe School Operations

- We will continue with our overall control systems
- No visitors will be allowed on the school site unless pre-arranged
- We will continue with robust hand washing and respiratory hygiene
- There will be enhanced cleaning arrangements throughout school
- Mass gathering like assemblies will not be planned but we will find alternative ways (virtual) to bring the school community together.
- Shared spaces like the hall will be timetabled and cleaned in between use.
- The children will be taught by their teacher and a Learning Support Assistant.
- To enable a full educational offer, some teachers and staff (PE coach/ Lunch staff etc.) may need to work across groups and if reasonably practical to do so will keep 2 metres distance.
- Playtime and lunchtime will be staggered

What are the drop off and collection arrangements?

We will continue to operate staggered starts and ends of day. This is to minimise numbers arriving at the same time and to facilitate social distancing. As was the arrangement before, class teachers will collect children from the main school gate at their allocated school drop off time. Parents will be able to queue on school grounds as per previous end of day arrangements. We ask parents to also observe our rules below to ensure the safety of all during these busy school times:

- Gathering at school gates will not be allowed.
- Parents must wear a mask.



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- **Only 1 parent** will be allowed to drop off and pick up their child

Sibling drop off and pick up arrangements remain the same as in the Autumn term. Please bring all children for the earliest start time that one of them may have and pick them all up at the latest time that any of the children have. This arrangement is the same for childminders too.

	Start Time	Finish Time
Year 2 - L/E Mrs Lissaman & Mrs Elliott	8.30	2.40
Year 2 – OM Mr Mayhew	8.30	2.40
Year 2 – KD Mrs Cairns	8.30	2.40
Year 1 - B/B Mrs Basigara/ Mrs Broom	8.40	2.50
Year 1 - C/P Mrs Creighton/ Mrs Purnell	8.40	2.50
Year FS/Y1 – J/C Mr Vazifdar	8.50	3.00
Year FS/Y1 – WK Miss Kirby	8.50	3.00
Year FS/Y1 – JJ Miss Jones	8.50	3.00

Will my child need to wear a uniform?

We expect children to wear their uniform every day. Children must come in their PE clothes on their allocated PE day. Please see the timetable below:

Foundation/ Year 1 Miss Kirby Mr Vazifdar Miss Jone	Tuesday Thursday Thursday
Year 1 Mrs Creighton/ Mrs Purnell Mrs Basigara/ Mrs Broom	Mondays Mondays
Year 2 Mrs Lissaman/ Mrs Elliott Mr Mayhew Mrs Cairns	Tuesdays & Fridays Wednesdays & Fridays Wednesdays & Fridays

Will the school be running breakfast and after school clubs?

We are aiming to have our breakfast club up and running for after the Easter break.

Will lunchtime arrangements be the same?

Our school kitchen will be operational and your child will be entitled to a free hot meal. Please refer to our Week 3 Menu. All lunches will be eaten in the hall, with a strict cleaning regime between each group sitting.



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What should I do if my child becomes unwell?

If your child is unwell in any way, it is advisable for your child to stay at home until they have recovered. If you believe they may have Covid 19 you can access a test at one of the drive through centres.

What if there is a case of Covid 19 at school?

In the event of a confirmed case, we will continue to provide clear communication with families about isolation and bubble closure procedures. We ask parents to update us on any recent changes of contact numbers to ensure we can communicate swiftly.

If you or a member of your household are contacted by the Track and Trace service and are told to isolate, you must inform the school immediately so that appropriate action can be taken.

We are extremely excited to have the children back in school and want the transition to be as smooth as possible. As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school or your child's teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Balsara
Headteacher



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