

Friday 17th July 2020

# Returning to School Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

## <u>Please be aware that these plans could well change as government or local authority guidance changes.</u>

Following the Government's recent announcement, we are very pleased to be able to reopen to all pupils in September. We are currently working hard so that we are able to do this in the safest way possible, in-line with the latest guidance.

- We will be open for all children on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020.
- Attendance will be statutory for all children, including BAME.
- The children will be in their normal classes and contact between different classes will be reduced and kept to a minimum.
- It is acceptable for young children not to distance, but we will support distancing as much as possible.
- Each class will have their own separate area on the playground and at lunchtimes, this will ensure children stay within their groups as much as possible outside of lessons.
- Tables in will be placed in rows where possible.
- Daily SEND interventions will run as normal.
- All normal First Aid will be in place as usual.
- Enhanced cleaning will remain in place.
- We will support hygiene measures such as 'catch it, bin it, kill it' and frequent handwashing throughout the school day.
- There will be no whole school assemblies until further guidance is given.
- Staff are able to move between groups.
- Breakfast and After-school clubs will **NOT** be running until further notice, due to monitoring of Risk Assessment.
- Lunches will be served as normal- although year groups will be separated in accordance with Government guidance
- We will have slightly staggered starts and finishes to reduce congestion at either end of the school day.
- Pupils will come to school in their uniform. If the children have PE, they should come to school in their PE kit that day.
- Children can bring school bags and you may want them to bring in a piece of fruit.
- Children must **not** wear PPE to school or bring their own hand sanitiser.

We will be supporting every pupil to catch up on any gaps in their learning, whilst delivering as much of our normal curriculum offer as possible. Pupils will be assessed in all of our core subjects to identify targets and inform future planning.

Children's mental wellbeing will be at the forefront of all that we do, as well as be reflected in our PSHE/RE lessons, especially for the first half-term.

**Please note:** We would expect only ONE person to drop off and collect pupils and for distancing to be maintained at all times, both on and off the school grounds to protect our pupils and staff. Staff will not be available for conversation in person at the end of the day. We are happy









to give you a call if you need to discuss anything. Whilst our new reception parents and carers may bring their child to the EYFS entrance, all other parents and carers should NOT come onto the playground. Please do not come into school during the school day, unless you have a pre-arranged meeting. You **cannot** go to the office in person with enquires.

Please be patient with us. It may take longer to pick up and drop off your child. Our measures are there to protect our community.

	Start:	Where from:	Finish:	Where from:
EYFS	8:30am	EYFS playground	3:00pm	EYFS playground
Year 1	8:30am	KS1 playground	3:00pm	KS1 Playground
Year 2	8:45am	KS1 Playground	3:15pm	KS1 Playground
Year 3	9:00am	KS1 Playground	3:30pm	KS1 Playground
Year 4	8:30am	KS2 Playground	3:00pm	KS2 Playground
Year 5	8:45am	KS2 Playground	3:15pm	KS2 Playground
Year 6	9:00am	KS2 Playground	3:30pm	KS2 Playground

## Start and Ending of the day

#### What should my child bring to school?

Children should bring a school bag.

If you are not having a school lunch then you will need to provide lunch as well. We must minimise the items going back and forth.

#### What if my child is unwell?

All staff will follow the risk assessment at all times, and will ensure there is a culture of vigilance at all times. We will minimise contact with individuals, who are unwell by ensuring that those who display symptoms (a new, continuous cough or a high temperature. A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell), or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school and are sent home. The children must be collected from school.

Anyone developing symptoms will be sent home and expected to follow 'stay at home guidance', which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 7 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have Coronavirus. Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.

Looking ahead, we will continue to update you with any further developments, if you have any questions Please email <u>adminigr@leopold.brent.sch.uk</u>

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Obinwanne Head of School





