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Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted that all children will be back in school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. When they returned in September, the children settled in extremely well and therefore we intend to use a similar model. The children's wellbeing and mental health comes first and this will be reflected in the structure of the day. Circle times will give them the chance to talk about their experiences during lock down and the new skills they have acquired. They will also be able to talk about any worries or concerns that they have, which will be addressed by the class teacher or referred to Mrs Jackson if we feel more support is needed. Building on the theme of World Book Day, our first week back will be based on the inspirational and heart-warming book, 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse' written by Charlie Mackesy. It is a story filled with positive messages, warmth and empathy; the children will be producing art work based beautiful illustrations, which will be displayed around school.

They will also have missed spending time with their friends and therefore we will be providing opportunities for them to play with their peers and spend more time being active / learning outside.

Once we feel that the children have adapted to school life again, we will assess their learning and put a 'catch up' programme in place for children who would benefit from additional interventions.

The staggered drop off and collection procedures that we currently have in place have been working well and will continue. If you have siblings please **drop off and collect at the earlier time**. For your own and others safety, parents and carers are unable to come onto the school site unless a meeting has been pre-arranged. If you are dropping off or collecting children from the playground, please ensure that you arrive at the allocated time and follow social distancing measures at all times. Face coverings must be worn unless you are exempt.



Class	Drop off Time	Collection Time	Entrance / Exit
Year 6	8.45am	3.00pm	Back entrance
Year 5	9.00am	3.15pm	Back entrance
Year 4P	9.15am	3.30pm	Front entrance (reception area)
Year 4SR / 4K	9.15am	3.30pm	Main entrance (Y3 playground)
Year 3	9.00am	3.15pm	Main entrance (Y3 playground)

We will be using the outdoor area as much as possible including the school field, to minimise the crossover of class bubbles when they are playing outside. Children are encouraged to wear trainers and to bring a spare pair of shoes in case the field is wet.





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We already have extensive cleaning routines and social distancing procedures in place that have worked effectively.

Handwashing	Children will be reminded about how to wash their hands effectively and will be asked to do this throughout the day. All classrooms have sinks and soap and paper towels are available at all times. Each classroom also has a bin with a lid on it and these will be emptied regularly. External hand sanitisers have also been installed outside each classroom.
Classroom equipment / furniture	All children will have their own set of resources e.g. pen, pencil etc Children will sit side by side in order to face forwards as much as possible. Touch points will be regularly cleaned as will tables and chairs throughout the day. The use of sports equipment and other resources such as art and science can be shared amongst the class but will be cleaned before another group uses it.
Lunchtime	Grab bags will be provided and taken to each classroom for those who wish to have school dinners and can be ordered through Live Kitchen. Children may also bring packed lunches which will be eaten in classrooms.
Movement around school	This will be restricted as much as possible to ensure that minimum contact takes place. It is considered low risk to pass in the corridor etc but the children will have no need to leave their classrooms other than to go to the toilet. Please be assured that we will be outside as much as possible as this is lower risk but again on a rotational basis and with their class bubble.
Toilets	Each class will be shown which toilets to use (specific cubicles). Soap and paper towels will be provided in all toilets as well as classrooms.
Staff safety	The staff will social distance at all times and wear face coverings. PPE is not required on a daily basis but will be available should a child show symptoms and 2 metres distance cannot be maintained or if they are delivering first aid. All staff have a comprehensive understanding of the risk assessments to ensure their own safety as well as that of the children's. Staff have been consulted on a regular basis and their views sought throughout to ensure their safety has been taken in to consideration as well as the children's.
Displaying symptoms	If your child shows any symptoms of Covid 19 (new, continuous cough, a high temperature or loss of taste and smell) they are to stay at home until the test result is confirmed as negative or for 10 days if positive. Household members should also self-isolate for 10 days. Should a child or member of staff show symptoms of Covid19 whilst in school, they may have their temperature taken and will be isolated within school until they are able to go home. They will not be able to return until the test results have been confirmed. All staff now take the lateral flow tests twice a week. Should a member of staff or child test positive, parents of the children in the bubble will be contacted and asked to keep their children at home for the next 10 days.

Please phone or email if you have any further questions. We are so excited to see the children and for our Nevill Road family to be together again. Thank you for your continued support throughout these difficult times.

Kind regards,  
 Mrs Cliff  
 Headteacher

