

Returning to school in August

Questions and Answers - All subject to change!

	Frequently asked Questions
1	Can I change from Group A to Group B or visa a versa? Officially NO - as the control of numbers is vital and one move particularly for families has a knock on affect. However, Ms McMillan will look at individual requests on 1:1 basis and follow up.
2	What will uniform look like? We are encouraging all children to come to school in black joggers/leggings, polo shirt and red sweatshirt wearing outdoor trainers and a waterproof jacket.
3	Do I need indoor black gym shoes? Yes - please label
4	What will the classroom look like? The desks have been arranged in classes taking into consideration social distancing. Surfaces have been cleared so these can be cleaned regularly. Every child has their own tray with their own resources for the school day - no sharing of pencils, colouring pens etc. Please see photographs below.
5	Do the children need a school bag? Yes - but please think about what is in it... <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water bottle filled from home• Black gym shoes
6	Does my child bring a pencil case? NO - all stationery will be provided and used only by your child.
7	Is the school day still 9:00am - 3pm? Give or take 10 minutes either side to manage social distancing - Will be confirmed in August to take account of the very latest government advice.
8	What time do Primary 1 start/finish? This will be 10am-2:00pm for <i>Group 1</i> on Wednesday 12 th August and <i>Group 2</i> on Thursday 13 th August.
9	What will happen on the first day in August? School staff will direct pupils/parents - Will be confirmed in August to take account of the very latest government advice
10	What plans are in place to maintain social distancing? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planned use of playground space for certain year groups. Mobile "marker spots" placed in playground• Staggered breaks and lunch times• Taped areas in school• Lunches in classrooms
11	How do you plan to reduce congestion at the end of the day? This will be confirmed in August to take account of the very latest government advice. Naturally working at 50% capacity this will be reduced. Children who can (age and stage appropriate), parents should identify a safe space not necessarily within the school grounds. Other gate/doors ie 4G and Gym hall doors may be used as exit collection points. Parents will have a responsibility to maintain social distancing and apply common sense rules.

12	<p>Is the school getting deep cleaned at the end of the week?</p> <p>Hand sanitisers are now in school and will be placed at entry and exit points for children. Handwashing facilities are available in every classroom/ work area for handwashing as necessary.</p> <p>Cleaning routines will reflect the latest government advice daily. It is a misconception (sorry if it was from me!) that a deep clean will take place on a Wednesday ... it is sprayed every night which reacts over time to sanitise the area.</p>
13	<p>Where will my child eat their lunch?</p> <p>Lunches will take place in the classroom as the dining hall is being used for a class space.</p> <p>School Lunches are free for P1-3 pupils and cost £1:75 for P4-7.</p> <p>Packed lunches can still be brought from home - ideally in a disposable bag.</p> <p>A revised lunch menu for COVID 19 has been issued and is available on the website. If you are <i>Group A</i> on Wednesday 12th August the menu will be Tuesday week 1.</p>
14	<p>What if my child takes medicine on a regular basis?</p> <p>Please ask for a medication form from the school office at the start of the school year.</p>
15	<p>What happens if my child becomes ill at school?</p> <p>We will be vigilant and send any child displaying any symptoms home. An identified quarantine area in school has been designated. Please be considerate to staff and other pupils - our message will be stay at home.</p>

