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Y34 Classes returning to school in September

As you know Sheffield City Council has now instructed schools to open for **all** pupils in September. We have followed all guidance available to us and developed a plan and carefully considered risk assessment that will enable us to open fully in a safe way. The school day will be slightly different and we need everyone to work with new procedures around drop off gates and pick up times.

To keep our pupils safe, we would ask parents and carers to park away from school. Please note that the entrance on Hartley Street will be in use for some year groups and must not be used for parking .

Please access the school by the entrance on **Hartley Street** and you will be directed from there.

Morning drop off time for Y34 - 8.45 am
Afternoon pick up time for Y34 – 3.15pm

Please note that in order to support our new Y3 pupils on their first day back, the start time on Wednesday September 2nd will be 9.30am. Pupils will be met on the yard by their new teachers.

Please send your child dressed in school uniform, with a named water bottle, sensible outdoor footwear and a rainproof coat. Y34 pupils will be taking their breaks on the field and should bring a change of footwear for these times.

PE kits and book bags are not needed.

Please do not bring toys or other items from home.

Social distancing

- **Each class will be a 'bubble' and will stay together as a group** in class, at break and lunchtimes, have the same adults with them and use their own equipment
- **Only one adult will be able to drop off and pick up** at the start and end of the school day – please **drop and go**
- **Parents and carers will not be allowed into the school building** and will not be able to speak with teachers or staff face to face. Please contact staff by email or by phonecall messages via the school office
- School **start and finish times will be staggered** for each class to avoid adults gathering in groups and waiting together
- **Equipment will be specific to each class** and will not be shared
- **Playground areas will be allocated to each class** to minimise contact between groups

Cleaning

- Classrooms, equipment, toilets and **frequently touched surfaces will be regularly cleaned** throughout the day



- **Children and adults will wash their hands frequently** and alcohol based hand sanitiser is available throughout the school (please let us know if you do not want your child to use alcohol based hand sanitiser)
- Tissues are available throughout the school and covered bins for disposal
- Soft furnishings, dressing up clothes and soft toys have been temporarily removed

Protecting staff and children

- Thermometers are available in school to check temperatures
- If children appear unwell they will be isolated and sent home immediately if they appear to have symptoms of coronavirus and will self isolate for 7 days
- No breakfast or after school clubs will operate in the summer term
- Bright Sparks after school childcare club will run in the autumn term.
- For the safety of office staff, we ask that you **only communicate with the office by email or phone**, even if you are on the premises
- When the weather permits a good deal of teaching and learning will be outdoors so please send your child to school with suitable clothing and sunscreen
- Children will not change for PE and will not need a PE kit. Please send children to school in P.E. kit on the days when this lesson is taught.
- Although face masks and gloves are not required for education settings they are available for staff if they wish to use them
- Some internal doors will be open in the day to avoid touching handles
- Anyone in your household is eligible for testing if they have coronavirus symptoms.

You should not send your child if they are:

- **unwell for any reason or have a high temperature**
- **living with a member of their household who has symptoms of coronavirus**
- **extremely clinically vulnerable children should follow medical advice before attending school.**

Will my child be socially distanced 100% of the time?

The government has been clear that schools should focus on maintaining a 'bubble' approach to class organisation. Primary children cannot be expected to remain constantly socially distanced from each other or their teachers. However, we have procedures to help, including removal of some equipment and frequent washing of equipment, toys and surfaces. Please be assured that if a child needs medical attention or comfort they will be dealt with in the normal way.

Attendance in the autumn term will be mandatory for all pupils. Non-attendance will be followed up and subject to sanction.

Please avoid public transport if you can and walk or cycle to school with your children where possible. School meals will be available as normal or you can send your child with a packed lunch.

I would like to thank you, our parents and carers for supporting everyone at Anns Grove during this difficult time. We know how hard it has been for you home educating your children and we are all looking forward to welcoming all our pupils back in September.

Best wishes



Head teacher