



The Links Primary School

Nursery and Reception Return to School Manual

June 2020



Nursery and Reception are returning on 22nd June 2020.

Children have been placed in one 'bubble' with no more than 10 children.

Children will be taught by Miss Calvert, Miss Brown and supported by Mrs Halliday

Children are in school Monday – Thursday (school closed to Nursery and Reception children on a Friday for deep clean.

Start times and finishing times for Reception are as follows;

| Start | End |
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| 9:00 | 3:15 |

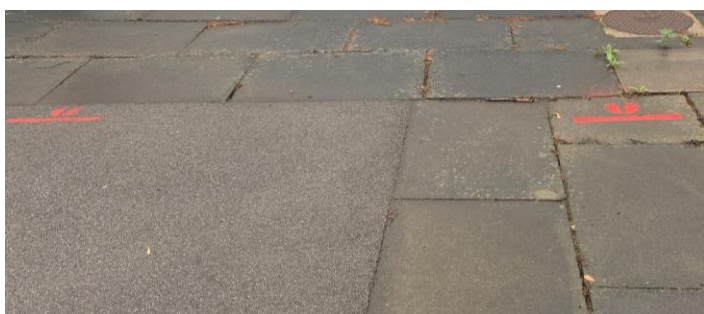
Start of the day;



Please enter school and follow the path towards the Year 1 door.

You will see some red lines and footprints on the path. These are there to keep you a safe space from other parents and children. If there are other children in front of you waiting to go in, please make sure you wait on these until the next space is available.

When you get to the end of the path you will see a set of footprints on the left and a set on the right. Stand on the footprints on the right. Please wait until you child is called in to the classroom. Children will enter the classrooms one by one.



Before entering the classroom, children will be required to use the hand sanitising gel near the classroom door.

We have a one-way system in place, so once your child has entered the classroom, please leave the school site by walking past the Reception door and the Nursery entrance and leave using the Nursery path.



PLEASE NOTE THAT TEACHERS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TALK TO YOU AT THIS POINT. IF YOU NEED TO DISCUSS ANYTHING PLEASE EMAIL THE CLASS PAGE OR CONTACT THE OFFICE BY EMAIL OR PHONE.

End of the day;

At the end of the day please wait on the red footprints, the children will remain at their desks until they have their name called out. Please remember the one-way system and leave the school by walking past the Nursery doors, leaving by the Nursery path.

Social Distancing in the Classrooms

We Accept that children of this age will not adhere to social distancing between themselves or adults. We set up the classroom with control measures to encourage space between the children where possible. This includes;

- specific easy to clean toys put out on a rotation
- children given “base places”
- removed soft furnishings and close contact areas (home corner/reading corner)
- individual sets of resources
- Trays set up around classroom for snack pots, water, lunches

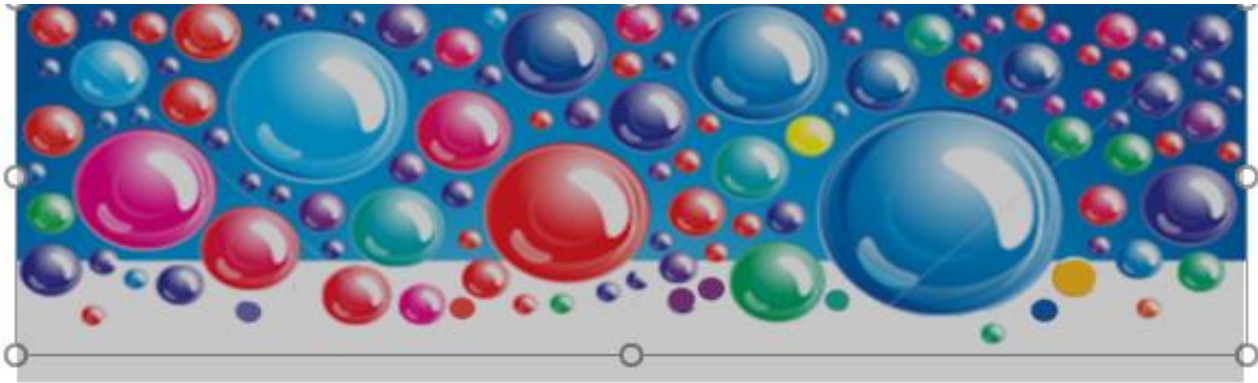
Some pictures of how your classroom will look;














Behaviour back at school

Our first lessons back will help to settle you into the new set up in school. You will see that some things are the same, and some are different. We will also be creating a social distancing charter in each class. These will include instructions on how to line up, use the toilet and move around the classroom. We will be asking for your ideas and thoughts too.

Below is a copy of our Links Bubble rules



The Links Bubble Rules

-  I will stay 2 metres away from others
-  I will regularly wash my hands throughout the day for 20 seconds
-  I will tell an adult if I feel unwell
-  I will not bring things into school from home, or take things home from school
-  I will only use the equipment in my pack
-  I will stay in my seat unless otherwise directed by my teacher
-  I will not mix with children in a different bubble in school
-  I will ask an adult when I need to use the toilet, so they can help keep me safe
-  I will use the catch it-bin it-kill it rules coughing and sneezing into my elbow or a tissue
-  I will follow the rules at all times to maintain the safety of myself and others
-  I will follow these expectations and know that if I don't, I will be sent home and will not be able to come back into school until I can be safe



Home School Agreement

You will be sent this information via Parentmail Forms. Please make sure you read through carefully and share with your child. We will be asking you to acknowledge that you have read and understood the information; have discussed it with your child and agree to fully support the school.

The School

The school will:

- Provide an environment which has been risk assessed in response to the COVID-19 infection and Local Authority Risk assessment
- Adhere to the social distancing rules as set out by the government as much as we reasonably can;
- Provide a curriculum that meets the needs of your child's well-being, mental health and academic needs;
- Contact parents/carers if your child displays symptoms of COVID-19;
- Inform you if staff or children in your child's 'bubble' test positive for COVID-19 as this will mean you will all need to self-isolate for at least 14 days.
- Continue our clear and consistent approach to rewards and sanctions for children as set out in the Behaviour Policy as well the expectations outlines in this agreement;
- Communicate between home and school through telephone, parent mail, Marvellous Me, email and the school website.

The Parent

To best support my child and the school, I know and understand that:

- If my child, or anyone in my household, shows symptoms of COVID-19, I will not send them to school, we will self-isolate for 14 days as a family, I will get them tested and I will let the school know as soon as possible via telephone;
- If my child shows symptoms of COVID-19 at school, I will collect my child from school immediately. I will get them tested and I will let the school know as soon as possible via telephone;
- On my commute, and when dropping my child off and picking them up, I will adhere to the 2 metre social distancing rules.
- When dropping off and picking up, I will strictly stick to the school timings for my child;
- When dropping off, my child will remove any disposable face mask they are wearing, placing disposable ones in the bin/double bag a fabric one which I will take away with me.
- My child will not bring any items into school with them or take items home from school;
- I will not be allowed into the school without a pre- arranged appointment – make appointments via telephone or email;
- I need to support all staff in their efforts to create an 'as safe as possible' environment during this time:
- I will read all letters/messages/emails that are sent home;
- I will inform the school of any changes to parents/carer and emergency contacts details.
- I will follow social distancing rules at all times, and understand if there is evidence that I have not followed social distancing, my child may lose their place at school.

- If my child is deemed unsafe, he/she will be sent home and cannot return to school until they can be safe.

The Child

I will do my best to:

- Follow the Bubble rules that keep me safe
- Wash my hands as soon as I go into school
- Tell an adult if I feel unwell;
- Not bring things into school from home, or take things home from school;
- Only use the equipment in my pack.
- Not mix with any other children in the school;
- Only enter and exit the school building from the designated gate;
- Follow the catch it-bin it-kill it rules coughing and sneezing into elbow or tissue
- Regularly wash my hands using soap and water for 20 seconds
- Follow the rules at all times to maintain the safety of myself and others
- Follow these expectations and know that if I don't, I will be sent home and will not be able to come back into school until I can be safe.

Other information;

Equipment

Children should not bring any school bags to school. The only things they should bring to school are;

- filled water bottle
- sun hat and sun cream (please ensure sun cream is applied before school – staff will not be able to apply the cream for your child)
- coat if it looks like rain
- packed lunch & Snacks

Children SHOULD NOT bring

- pencil cases
- PE kits
- rucksacks
- toys
- books
- masks to wear in school

Every child will be provided with their own set of labelled resources. These will only be used by them and will be kept and stored underneath the child's individual base.

Playtimes

Below is a timetable of playtimes and dinnertimes.

| Group | Arrival time | Where? | Break time | Where? | Lunchtime | Where? | Outdoor learning pm | Where? | Hometime |
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| Reception / Nursery (from 22 nd June) | 9am | Reception classroom door | Any time suitable | Early Years Outdoor area | 12-1pm | Lunches eaten in classroom Outdoor area when ready | Any time suitable | Early Years outdoor area | 3.15pm Reception classroom door |

Large playground equipment will not be in use at this moment in time.

Each class will have their own outdoor equipment which can be used by the children.

Staff will stay their own bubble and encourage the children to engage in recommended play activities which enable them to socially distance.

School Uniform

We are not expecting children to wear school uniform on return to school, but clothing should be of a similar practical nature. Think as though you are going for a day in the woods or the countryside, not to a party or the beach. We will be spending a lot more time outdoors, which may include activities that require children to be physical or get dirty. Footwear should be trainers.

Children must wear a fresh set of clothes each day.

Food, Drinks & Snacks

All children are being asked to bring a packed lunch, which will be stored under each child's desk.

All children must also bring a filled water bottle.

Snacks can be brought for breaktimes if you wish, these must be included with their packed lunch. These should not be chocolate or sweets.

Toilets

- The Reception and Nursery bubble will be using the toilets in the Reception and Nursery setting.
- These have been designated to this group and no other children will use them.
- Only one child will use the toilet at a time (children will be supervised)
- All children MUST follow handwashing procedure after using the toilet. Adults will be there to support the children with this.
- Additional signage in toilets to remind children of hand washing routine
- Regular reminders of importance of handwashing and routine
- Toilet checks to be undertaken at regular points throughout the day and check sheets initialled

Bikes and scooters

- We have asked children not to leave bikes or scooters at school initially while we monitor the arrival and departure flow. This may be reviewed at a later date. Any bikes or scooters ridden to school must be taken away by parents.