



# Wistaston Church Lane Academy

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## RE: Return to school for all pupils

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I wish to thank you for your incredible hard work over the last nine weeks in supporting the children. I imagine that this has not been an easy time for you. We are delighted to be able to bring all children back to school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. We cannot wait to see them all.

Below, I hope you will find all of the details needed to make this a smooth transition back into school for most pupils, and I hope this is the start of a gradual return to normality over the next few months.

Yours sincerely,

Principal

**For the most part, our systems reset to the way they were in the Autumn Term. There are some small changes, so it is important that you read through this information.**

### Re-opening

All pupils from Reception to Year Six are able to return to school on Monday.

### Start and End of Day Routines

#### Mornings:

We need to stagger the entry of pupils. Children in the Infants should enter through the pedestrian gate at the school car park. Children in the Juniors should enter through the small gate at the front of school (but could be brought through the one-way system, as before Christmas). As before, children will not be able to come onto the school grounds until the times below.

#### Infants (no change to before Christmas)

Year One: 8.45am – enter through the infant playground door

Year Two: 8.50am – enter through the infant playground door

Reception: 8.55am – enter through the Reception cloakroom door

#### Juniors (some changes)

Year Three: From 8.45am – through the top door

Year Four: From 8.45am – through the top door

Year Five: From 8.50am – through the classroom external doors

Year Six: From 8.50am – through the bottom door

#### End of Day:

We need to stagger the end of day process to make sure that children leave safely and with the right adult.

#### Infants (no change to before Christmas)

Year One: 3.10pm – from the infant playground

Year Two: 3.15pm – from the infant playground

Reception: 3.20pm – from the infant playground





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## **Juniors (no change to before Christmas)**

Year Three: Children will leave from the junior playground at 3.10pm

Year Four: Children will leave from the junior playground at 3.15pm

Year Five: Children will leave from the junior playground at 3.20pm

Year Six: Children will leave from the junior playground at 3.25pm

## **Parents on Site**

Only one parent should come on to site.

Face coverings must be worn unless exempt. If you are exempt, we would appreciate it if you can wear the recognized sunflower lanyard.

When you have collected the children, please leave the site promptly.

Please see the attached sheet for further information.

## **Lunch Times**

School dinners will be served as usual. Most children will eat in classrooms for the time being. We are starting with Week One in the dinner menu. Prices are unchanged.

## **Uniform and PE Kit**

The full school uniform policy is reinstated, but children should come to school in their PE kit on their PE days. PE kit should also follow the school PE kit policy.

PE days for the children are as follows:

Reception: Tuesday and Thursday

Year One: Y1P: Monday (two sessions), Y1CW: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year Two: Y2B: Monday and Friday, Y2S: Monday and Wednesday

Year Three: Tuesday and Friday

Year Four: Monday and Friday

Year Five: Tuesday and Friday

Year Six: Tuesday and Thursday

## **Music Lessons**

All music lessons will take place, as planned, in school.

## **Bringing Items in to School**

Children should only bring in essential items to school. Essential items include lunchboxes, hats, coats, gloves, reading records, spare clothes (for younger children) school books and sun cream. By prior arrangement only some children in Y5 and Y6 bring in mobile phones. Generally, children will not need to bring in any other items.

## **Items to bring in to school after Home Learning**

We would like children to bring in an example of their home learning that they are proud of which we will use to add to a display.

It is important that children should also return their Power Maths books and also English and Maths Dactyl and CDP workbooks (for those who have had them). Ideally, we would like any stationery that was taken home to be returned, e.g. whiteboards, whiteboard pens and handwriting pens.

Any children who have borrowed devices from school, e.g. laptops, should return these to the school office.





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## Reading Records and Books

Reading Records should be brought into school and taken home as usual. It is important that we keep on developing children's reading. When reading books are returned we will quarantine them for 48 hours. If there is a message for the teacher in the reading record, please use a Post-it for easy reference, as we were doing before Christmas.

## Communication

Year group email addresses will not be monitored unless we need to ask a bubble to isolate. If you need to speak to a member of staff, please contact the school office to arrange a phone call, or you could add a message in the Reading Record.

## Bubble Sizes

As per our risk assessment, from Year Two to Year Six children will be in class-sized bubbles. To support children's learning we may need to mix some children across the year group to form a 'secondary bubble'. We will make you aware if we need to do this.

There is so much cross-class working in Reception and Year One that children will need to be in year group-sized bubbles.

## Curriculum and Teaching and Learning Principles

We have put together our principles for delivering the curriculum and our teaching and learning so that we can do the best for the children with the time we have left this year. This is attached as a document with this letter.

## School Office

Parents should only visit the school office if absolutely necessary. The School Office is open from 8.30am to 12.30pm daily. Our preference is that you contact the office by email only. Outside of the above times, please only contact the office in an emergency.

## Swan Stars

Swan Stars will be open in full, both before and after school. Children will be grouped into five secondary bubbles which will be:

- Reception
- Year One
- Year Two
- Years Three and Four
- Years Five and Six

## Risk Assessment

Our risk assessment is available to read on our school website – please find the Coronavirus Info page.

