



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well. I would like to thank you for all your support and patience during these difficult times. I know that you have worked hard to help your child/children complete home learning activities.

I would like to update you with information we have received from the Government regarding school opening in September. The Government has set out its intent and plan for ALL children to return to school in September. I appreciate that some of you will remain anxious about your child/children returning to school. I would like to reassure you that your child's wellbeing and safety are our main concern. Reducing any risks and keeping children and staff safe will be our priority. In order to do this, there will be a number of measures put in place to limit contact between children in different classes and extensive hygiene measures.

We have had several months of remaining open for Key Worker families and more recently Y6 and Y1 children whilst implementing 'control measures' which we are now very familiar with. Whilst no school can guarantee 100% safety regarding Covid-19 contamination, we have worked very hard to ensure our practice is as safe as possible and we adhere to all the Government and Public Health England guidance shared nationally. It is important that we support you and your child/children to return to school and establish the vital routines, normality and sense of community again. We will need your help and co-operation with this, for example staggered drop-offs and pick-ups, social distancing and lunchtimes.

I hope that the assurances I have outlined and the reopening information below will allay any fears you may have and support every child to return to school. It is vital you read this information and prepare your child/children for school in September.

Information for opening to all year groups in September:

Y6-Y1 will return on Wednesday 2nd September

Reception and Nursery will return on Thursday 3rd September

New Nursery starters will start on Monday 7th or Tuesday 8th September.

1. School will be open fully in September to all children,
2. To keep children and adults as safe as we can, classes will stay in their own rooms and children will not be mixing outside of their set classes
3. Staying within their own classes minimises contact with other children and adults. They will enter school, learn, socialise and leave school together.
4. This only makes us safer if you and your household, as well as us and our households, continue to follow the guidelines on social distancing and contact with others in wider society.

Travel to school

1. Parents and carers are strongly urged NOT to bring children to school by car. Congestion, as we know, is a major issue given the closeness of ourselves and the Health Centre/Pharmacy.

2. If Parents/carers decide to accompany their child to school for drop off/pick up they MUST apply social distancing and follow the 2m path which is a 1 way system running from the main gate, around the KS2 playground, past the petal shelter across the KS1 playground and Nursery playground out of the Nursery gate.

Please do not enter the school site via the Nursery gate this is for EXIT only.

3. If you are dropping your child off they will enter through their assigned/classroom door and you will continue along the 1 way system and leave via the Nursery gate. Please do not stop to chat keep moving and do not congregate by the gates. At the end of the day, please arrive within the allocated time slot to collect from the same door and wait on one of the blue crosses on the playground. **Please remain behind the blue lines at all times**

4. If you intend to allow your child to walk to and from school unattended you must ring school to inform us and ensure they understand the need to walk home independently, applying 2m social distancing.

5. Any communication with school or teachers must continue to be via phone 477 8290 or e mail ravenscroft@knowsley.gov.uk

Class	Staff	Drop off/Pick up door	Start Time	Finish Time
Y6	Mrs Cochrane Mrs Mather	Y6 door (was Y4)	8:50-9:05	3:05-3:15
Y5	Mr Hughes Miss Kirby	Y5 door	8:50-9:05	3:05-3:15
Y4	Miss Milner Mrs Glascott	KS2 door	8:50-9:05	3:05-3:15
Y3	Miss Loughlin Miss Powell	KS2 door	9:00-9:15	3:15-3:25
Y2	Miss Kennedy Miss Casey	KS1 door	9:00-9:15	3:15-3:25
Y1	Miss Tomlinson Miss King	Y1 door	9:00-9:15	3:15-3:25
R	Mrs Lally Mrs Bond	R door am N door pm	9:00-9:15	3:15-3:25
N	Miss Lehan Miss Fleming	N door	Door opens 8:45-9:15 12:30-12:45	Door opens 11:35-11:45 3:15-3:25

Nursery & Reception times have changed from the previous letters sent out

School Organisation

1. The start and finish times of the day have been staggered so that everyone can safely enter and leave the building.
2. If you are dropping and collecting children at different classes be aware that Y6, Y5, Y4 will start and finish school at the earlier time, this will help you plan.
3. Everyone will wash hands thoroughly on arrival and frequently throughout the day – hand sanitiser will also be available in classrooms.
4. Cleaning of classrooms and equipment will be ‘regular’ and ‘often’ – including enhanced cleans at the end of each day. We will endeavour to limit what children use and touch. Each child’s equipment and resources will be stored away in their trays.
5. Break and lunch times will be staggered to limit contact between classes– each class will have their own zones on the playground, which will be rotated.
6. School meals will be available as usual with 3 options. Children can bring in their own packed lunch, this will remain with them. Children in receipt of free school meals will have a hot meal, jacket potatoes or sandwich option.
7. Given the size of our school hall and the fact that it is a thoroughfare meals will be eaten in the classrooms, again to minimise contact between classes.
8. Children will use specific toilets and sink areas – hand sanitiser will be available in classrooms and shared areas.
9. There will be set directions of movement around the school building to limit interactions between classes.

Uniform and Equipment

1. Children will need to wear school uniform
2. Children will be doing regular PE sessions – so a PE kit needs to come in. This will be sent home after each use and must be washed including the PE bag.
3. Please only send coats in on colder days
4. Packed lunches need to be in a disposable bag
5. Pens/pencils and all equipment will be provided; they will have their own.
- 6 Please provide a named and filled water bottle and apply sunscreen when sunny.
7. At the moment children should not bring reading bags into school, they will read in school

The guidelines and procedures will be reviewed regularly, and any changes that we receive over the Summer Holidays will be communicated with you before your return in September. Finally I hope that you can enjoy the summer, we are really looking forward to seeing you in September.

Take care and keep safe

Miss J Hegarty
Headteacher