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Dear Parents/Carers of children in YN-Y6,

As we get ready to welcome back children into the school I want to update you on what we have done to ensure all children, staff and families are kept as safe as possible. I will place a copy of our latest Risk Assessment on the website under the Parents' Page tab at the top by 1st March.

The whole school was open for the Autumn Term with only 2 Bubble/Phase closures in December so we are confident that once the children have been shown our systems again, we can keep people as safe as possible.

As we have been saying amongst the staff all week, we will look after each other **by working together** – that is staff, pupils and parents. We have implemented strict cleaning and personal handwashing routines and we need the children to do this as well. The 'destination' wash (washing and sanitising their hands as the first thing they do in school each day) is the most important action we can take – and when your child arrives home they should wash and sanitise immediately as well. **Please use the link below to practise with your children before they come into school:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lisgnbMfKvI>

Back to School

**Below is our proposal for bringing your children back in safely and in line with other local schools – it is asking you to back our judgement in how to do this safely for all and so we have the right amount of time to work with all the children to get them learning and playing & sanitising safely again – remembering that some of them (Y3&4) have been away from school for over 3 months.**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021 only:**

School will be closed to Keyworker and Vulnerable children as whole school staff training around safe movement, hygiene and first aid procedures and deep cleans are carried out. Work will be set for all children but **there will be no interactivity with school staff** because they will be in training and refresher sessions.





**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 YR, Y2, Y4, Y5 & Y6 are back full time from this day**

**Y5 & Y6** children are asked to come in via the back gate in Tarling Road at 8.30am and they will be sent home at 3.10pm from the same gate – if you collect your child you can come into KS2 playground from 3pm, where a member of SLT will show you where to wait – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until we notify you to do so but can bring in a named water bottle** this is so we minimise the risk of germs moving between home and school.

- **Y4** children are asked to come in via the back gate in Tarling Road at 8.40am and they will be sent home at 3.20pm from the same gate – if you collect your child you can come into KS2 playground from 3pm a member of
- SLT will show you where to wait – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**
- **Y2** children are asked to come in via the main gate in Ruscoe Road at 8.40am – Y2 parents come into the area next to the bike shelter and say goodbye. They will be sent home at 3.15pm from the same gate, parents are to wait for their child in the area where the bike shed is – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**
- **YR** children are asked to come in via the Nursery gate at 8.40am and they will be sent home at 3.20pm from the same gate – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**
- **YN, Y1 & Y3 are asked to stay at home for this day only as we train the older children in the phase first**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 YN, Y1, Y3, are back full time from this day**

**YN** children are asked to come in via the Nursery gate at 9am and they will be sent home at 3pm from the same gate – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**

- **Y1** children are asked to come in via the main gate in Ruscoe Road at 8.40am – Y1 parents can come into the area next to the bike shelter and say goodbye. They will be sent home at 3.15pm from the same gate, parents are to wait for their child in the area where the bike shed is – lunch



is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**

- **Y3** children are asked to come in via the back gate in Tarling Road at 8.40am and they will be sent home at 3.20pm from the same gate– if you collect your child you can come into KS2 playground from 3pm and a member of SLT will show you where to wait – lunch is as normal – **they are NOT to bring a school bag or PE kit in until asked to do so by their teacher but can bring in a named water bottle**

### **General Information**

- **PARENTS – please remember to socially distance as you drop-off – you may need to wait a few extra seconds as family in front of you says goodbye – You have been fantastic so far I know you will set the right example**
- **If your child has a temperature of 37.8c and above your child will be sent home immediately – I am sure you understand why we are taking this precaution. If your child displays a new and persistent cough or has lost taste or smell they will also be sent home.**
- **We understand that many of you may still be working from home, however in the unlikely event you are rung to take your child home because of a suspected case of Co-vid 19, you will need to pick them up as fast as you possibly can as this will have become a Public Health issue and you yourself and the rest of your family unit will have to self-isolate.**
- **The government advice is if you can please avoid using public transport – walking will be much safer if you can manage it.**
- We aim to **start breakfast club from the week of Mon. 15<sup>th</sup> March** but this will have to be organised in Phase/Bubble groups which makes it really difficult. After school clubs are even more difficult to arrange in Phase/Bubbles – Look out for a Google form next week asking whether you need before or after school care – If you work from home I would ask you not to use clubs whilst we regain 'control' of our systems – all of this requires extra staffing which is very difficult for our small but dedicated staff so I would ask for your support in this.

I am sure you will understand that we have to prepare the children to succeed in their return to school, the last thing the school will want to do is to have to send children home because poor hygiene standards.

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Let us stay safe together

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