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Returning to School 1 June 2020 – Information for FS1

Wednesday 27 May 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

Next week, unless we hear otherwise, we will be returning to school and we wanted to say how much we are looking forward to getting back in and seeing the children. We want you and your child to feel the same about seeing us, so below we have set out our plan for getting back in for Monday June 1st. We understand that this may be a time of anxiety for you and your child, but we have tried to strike a balance between keeping the risks as low as possible and not altering the environment too much. For the time being, the children will be taught by Mrs. Williams and Miss Baldwin each day. We will let you know if this changes at any point.

School uniform

The guidance suggests that clothes are washed after each day at school. Therefore, children will not be required to wear school uniform. We feel that many children over the 2 months will have outgrown many items, especially shoes.

Sun cream and Hat

We will be spending as much time outside as possible, so your child **MUST** be sent to school with a **HAT** and **WEARING SUNCREAM**. The weather has been really warm and even when cloudy skin can burn. Sun cream will then last for the whole of the morning session and we will not be worrying about staying outside.

Bags

Your child will need to bring their own LABELLED DRINK bottle, a healthy snack and spare clothes in case of accidents or getting wet. If it is raining then we'll still go out, so a thin rain coat or jacket will be needed too. Bags should **NOT** contain anything else unless your child needs intimate care supplies such as wipes. **NO TOYS OR BOOKS.**

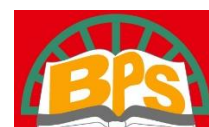
Arrival

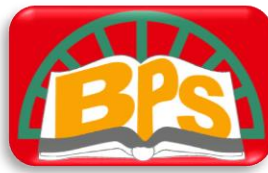
We would ask that **ONLY 1 ADULT** accompanies your child to school. Children will need to remain with their adult at all times whilst arriving and waiting at school. FS 1 will enter via the normal gate and entrance door next to the staff car park and around the side of the building. We would ask that you consider walking to school to reduce the number of cars parking and dropping off outside. This will support with social distancing.

We will be in contact with you over the next few days, to give you a **TIME SLOT** to drop off and collect your child. Please try to stick to this time to limit the number of parents on the path. Times will be between 8.40am and 9am, and 11.40am and 12pm.

We would ask that you remain **AT LEAST 2 METRES** away from the person in front of you, using the markers on the path as a guide. When you have dropped off your child, where possible walk along the edge of the grass area and be mindful of others arriving and leaving.

So that we can limit the number of people in the building, you will be unable to come into school. Miss Baldwin will wait on the door and **ONE AT A TIME** will take your child from you. Your child will need to **CARRY THEIR OWN BAG** but Miss Baldwin will support them to find their peg. On the first day the plan is to bring them straight outside on the playground to Mrs Williams. If this is not





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possible due to the weather, children will be asked to briefly sit on a rubber spot on the carpet area. They will watch nursery rhymes animations whilst we wait for everyone to arrive. This will hopefully support your child with settling. If they are upset when you drop them off we will ring you once we have settled them.

IF YOU HAVE ANY MESSAGES PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OR MESSAGE US ON DOJO. WE WILL NOT BE ANSWERING QUESTIONS ON THE DOOR UNLESS IT IS AN EMERGENCY. Children will sanitise their hands as they enter the building. (We have sanitiser at the door to the playground too).

LABELLED water bottles will be kept out of reach, however we will give your child plenty of opportunity to have a drink throughout the morning and will take the drinks outside, as we normally do in the summer months.

Indoors and outdoors

Most of the indoor and outdoor areas **do not look any different**. We have had to move some items and resources that we cannot regularly or easily clean. Indoors these are mainly the soft toys and cushions, sand provision, the computer and access to playdough. Outdoors these are mainly sand, the mud kitchen and resources like beanbags. Some other items have been reduced so that we are able to clean things at the end of each session. Tables, sinks and handles will be cleaned where necessary during the morning by staff, and where possible we will aim to clean things that are being shared lots such as the bikes. We will have windows open wherever possible whilst we are indoors and although we all know that children will not naturally socially distance, we will do our best to limit really close contact between the children. At the end of each session, we will work with the cleaning staff to clean the classroom throughout, including disinfecting the toys that have been used. Some items such as books and pencils will be rotated every 3 days. Hands will be washed or sanitiser will be used before and after outdoor play.

Topic and areas of learning

We will still be continuing to offer distance learning activities via Class Dojo (or paper as paper packs) as we have been doing. Mrs Henderson will continue to support with this and support parents with children's portfolios. We will aim to add to your child's portfolio whilst they are in school. (Please message us if you have not yet used the portfolio feature).

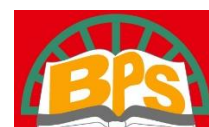
We will be following the same learning activities as the children at home are following, including English, Maths and topic. We would ask that if possible you support your child at home with the planned phonics activities. (Mrs Henderson is continuing to do a weekly video and we will provide the paper copy of this each Monday.)

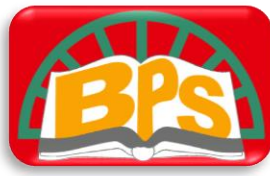
Our whole school topic is 'Heroes' and the children will be learning about different heroes across the community as well as being superheroes themselves! Where possible we will continue to cover the 7 areas of learning, however we currently will not be making our usual observations on 2Simple. Dojo portfolios will provide the evidence of activities completed in school and at home.

We will also be focussing on health, wellbeing and emotions. Miss Croft has produced some information for parents about this. We will also spend a very short amount of time reminding the children about hand washing, sneezing and coughing and supporting them with this.

Snack time

There will be NO hot snack. Please send your child with a HEALTHY SNACK. We will have milk delivered for the children in school, however we are unsure if fruit will be available for the time





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being. Milk cartons will be disinfected when they arrive and before we put them in the fridge and children will wash their hands with soap and water before either sitting spread out at the tables or hopefully outside on the playground.

Toilets

All toilets have undergone a deep clean since school closure. Cleaners will ensure these are deep cleaned at the end of each morning and staff will keep the sinks and floor clean during the sessions where needed. If your child has a toileting accident, staff will wear gloves and when necessary an apron to support their needs. This may be to support them to get changed. Wet clothes will be placed in a nappy bag and placed inside your child's bag. Please check their bag when you have collected them. If your child still needs support with wiping we will require you to complete a short form to provide this intimate care. Please let Mrs. Williams know via Dojo messages and a form will be sent. Gloves and an apron will be used to support with wiping.

End of the session

Again we would ask that ONLY 1 ADULT collects your child. Please arrive at your given time slot and follow the marks set out to wait to collect your child and walk around the edge of the path to leave. Again we ask that you consider walking to school to reduce the number of cars parking and dropping off outside. This will support with social distancing. We will be in contact with you over the next few days, to give you a TIME SLOT to drop off and collect your child. Please try to stick to this time to limit the number of parents on the path. Times will be between 8.40am and 9am, and 11.40am and 12pm.

Illness

If your child or yourself feel unwell or are displaying symptoms of Covid-19, DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL. Advice is available at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> Let the school office know that your child will not be attending and the reason why. If your child is displaying symptoms whilst at school they will be taken to wait with a first aider to another area and you will be contacted immediately. If a child or adult has symptoms of Covid-19 we would urge you to contact 111, who will provide advice on the appropriate course of action regarding testing.

First aid

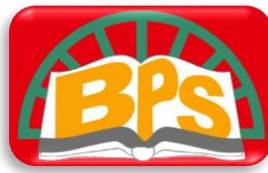
If your child requires first aid we will complete a slip to let you know about the treatment and will let you know that this is in their bag. Yellow letters for bumps to the head will still be used and placed in your child's bag. We will again be wearing gloves and if necessary an apron.

Finally...

If anything at all has changed or happened with your child since we last saw them, please contact the school office on 01773783898 or message Mrs. Williams on Dojo. This may include a change in medical history, a new medicine, a new allergy or a bereavement. Please also let the office know if your contact details have changed. We will then be able to support your child or update our records.

We will be in touch over the next few days to give you your time slots and to provide a leaflet for your child to look at to support them with returning. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.





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Don't forget:

- Do not send your child if they are unwell
- Your time slot
- 1 adult only
- Messages to the office or on Dojo
- No uniform, no toys or books
- Sun cream applied
- A hat and rain coat
- A labelled drink bottle
- A healthy snack
- Intimate care needs – let us know
- Changes with your child or your contact details

Many thanks for all your support over the last few months,

Mrs. Williams

