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Returning to School 8 June 2020 – Information for FS2

Wednesday 3 June 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

After careful consideration and planning, we are pleased to let you know that **FS2 will be able to return to school on Monday 8 June**. We have really missed the children and are excited about welcoming them back! 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 Bates and Miss Maule each day. We will let you know if this changes at any point. Below, we have set out our plan for our return.

PLEASE NOTE: Only parents who have notified school already can return on this date. Any family that decides they would like to return after this needs to let us know so that we can ensure we have the necessary space.

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 should last for the whole of the morning session and children will have chance to apply more cream just before lunch for the afternoon (we will help them do this if needed).

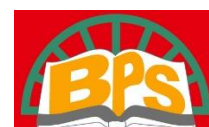
Bags

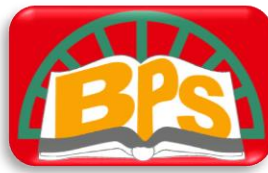
Your child will need to bring their own **LABELLED DRINK bottle**, a healthy snack and spare clothes in case of accidents or getting wet. If it is raining then we'll still go out, so a thin rain coat or jacket will be needed too. Bags should **NOT** contain anything else unless your child needs intimate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

Arrival

We would ask that **ONLY 1 ADULT brings your child**. Children will need to remain with their adult at all times whilst arriving and waiting at school. FS 2 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 9am and 9.20am, and 3.00am and 3.20pm.





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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 Maule 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 Maule will support them to find their peg. Children will be asked to briefly sit on a rubber spot on the carpet area. They will watch something fun on the whiteboard (Number Jacks/ Alphablocks) 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 opportunities to have a drink throughout the morning and will take the drinks outside, as we normally do in the summer months.

Indoors and outdoors

The indoors does not look too 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 and access to playdough.

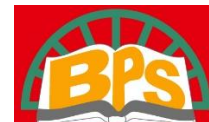
To avoid mixing with the Nursery children, **we will be using the grassed area outside** of our classroom (where you arrive and collect) for outdoor learning. After drop off time, the gate will be locked until 3pm.

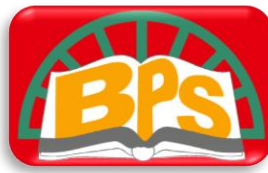
Tables, sinks and handles will be cleaned where necessary throughout the day by staff, and where possible we will aim to clean things that are being shared lots such as the scooters. We will have windows open wherever possible whilst we are indoors and although we all know that children will not naturally 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 continue to offer distance learning activities via Class Dojo (or paper as paper packs) as we have been doing. Please bear in mind that responses will not be as quick as they have been as we will be with the children in school. Mrs Bates will aim to add to portfolios and respond to comments at the end of the school day.

Class Dojo Points will continue to be used for home learners and children in school will continue with their star cards.





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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.

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 (shared on Class Dojo and school website). 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 being. Milk cartons will be cleaned 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 grass.

Toilets

All toilets have undergone a deep clean since school closure. Cleaners will ensure these are deep cleaned at the end of each day 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 Bates know via Dojo messages and a form will be sent. Gloves and an apron will be used to support with wiping.

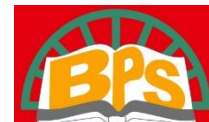
End of the day

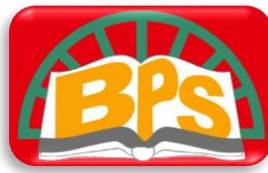
Again we would ask that **ONLY 1 ADULT collects your child**. Please arrive at your given time slot and follow the marks set out to wait to collect your child and walk around the edge of the path to leave. Again we ask that you consider walking to school to reduce the number of cars parking and dropping 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 3.00am and 3.20pm**.

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.





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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...

On a Wednesday FS2 will finish at 12pm. This will give us the opportunity to supplement the daily cleaning regime with a deeper clean. It will also allow Mrs Bates & Miss Maule additional time to plan and cater for those children who are still learning online. All other days will finish as detailed above.

If anything at all has changed or happened with your child since we last saw them, please contact the school office on 01773 783898 or message Mrs Bates 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.

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. Bates

