

Dear Y1 and Y2 Parents/Carers

This is a reminder about starting back to school on a full-time basis from Thursday 3rd September based on the most recent Government guidance, '*Guidance for full opening: schools.*'

Although we have up-dated our risk assessments in line with this guidance, many of the arrangements we have been working to since 1st June will still be in place. However, it is important that you read the following information carefully as there are some changes. As before, if you have any specific questions please get in touch with the school office

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#### **ARRIVAL, LOCATION & COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS**

Y1	Location	Drop off	Pick up
Blue Class	Main Door	8.45	3.05
Green Class	Green room door	8.45	3.05
Violet Class	Main door	8.55	3.15

Y2	Location	Drop off	Pick up
Yellow Class	Y2 corridor door	8.45	3.05
Scarlet Class	Scarlet room door	8.55	3.15
Orange Class	Y2 corridor door	8.55	3.15

- To try to keep everyone safe we have staggered designated times for drop-off and collection to minimise congestion as much as possible.
- Please arrive by Gothic Road gate and leave by Elmsleigh gate (keep to the left when walking along Elmsleigh Road.) It is important to keep to this one way route as the path from the Gothic Road gate is narrow
- Once at the drop off point, there will be a familiar adult waiting to greet your child and you will encourage them to go in from a safe distance from the entrance. If your child is not happy to leave you on the first day and any other subsequent day you are welcome to try and encourage for a short while but then the best advice is to leave with them and try again the next day as school staff will not be able to take your child in for you
- On arrival in their classroom, the children will be helped to wash their hands with the hand wash provided.

## **Returning from abroad**

Please contact the school office [infantinfo@trafalgarfederation.org.uk](mailto:infantinfo@trafalgarfederation.org.uk) if you have recently returned from any of the countries on the Government's travel quarantine list and your child will be delayed starting school until your 14 day self-isolation period is over.

## **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

As the Government guidance continues to state, social distancing cannot be guaranteed, so other protective measures are recommended and we will continue to have these in to place:

- Children will be organised into groups with the minimum size being their class group and the maximum size being their year group
- Each child will have their own designated workstation
- Specialist signage and floor markings will carry on being used to encourage appropriate distancing around the school.

## **TIMETABLE/CURRICULUM**

- There will be the usual broad and balanced National Curriculum on offer with adjustments of organisation made where necessary in order to comply with Government best practice guidance.
- There will be staggered break times and lunch times so there will be only one year group out at a time
- Please send a piece of fruit in until we know the arrangements from the School Fruit Scheme.
- It will be packed lunch only to begin with to continue giving the flexibility of using the outdoor space whenever possible and while we work with our Catering provider to look at the arrangements for a hot meals service.

## **EQUIPMENT**

- We have prepared labelled individual stationery wallets so children are not having to share basic classroom equipment.
- Please send in your child with their school water bottle, which they will keep at their workstation. Water fountains are not in use
- Please send in your child's book bag daily which they will keep in their own trays. Please ensure there are no attachments such as key rings etc. on the book bags
- Please send in your child wearing trainer type shoes every day for their outdoor learning and PE. as the timetable for these activities will need to be flexible. No PE kit as children will not be changing for activities yet

## **HYGIENE**

- Children will be reminded and supported to wash hands frequently throughout the day, including first thing in the morning, before and after playtimes/lunchtimes and toilet visits
- There are soap dispenser by sinks, portable hand wash and fitted hand sanitiser units

- Medical – epi-pens and inhalers should be returned to school with your child. We will need a new Child Medication Consent Form
- We are continuing to pay our facilities management company to carry out an increased cleaning schedule during the school day

## **TRACK TEST TRACE**

**Firstly, please do not send your child in if they are unwell.**

We have to ensure we have passed on information to parents/carers about the process that will be in place – see below extract from guidance:

*Parents/carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to:*

- *book a test if they are displaying symptoms. Pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their parents/carers if using a home testing kit*
- *provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace*
- *self-isolate if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) The health protection team will work with schools in this situation to guide them through the actions they need to take. Based on the advice from the health protection team, schools must send home those people who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive, advising them to self-isolate for 14 days since they were last in close contact with that person when they were infectious.*

*Close Contact is defined as:*

- *direct close contacts - face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin)*
- *proximity contacts - extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person*

We will of course be keeping up with Government guidance and will inform you of any changes as they occur.

Thank you for your continued support and we are looking forward to welcoming everyone back to school.