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Dear Parents,

As promised, here is detailed information about September when we open for all children. It is based on the latest Government guidance, however, if any further guidance is released prior to starting back I will communicate with you through the holidays.

Like I have done previously, if parents email me with any questions I will collate the responses into a letter to everyone.

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What can my child bring to school? (Everything must be clearly named)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PE kit • A coat • Indoor plimsolls • A wipe clean lunch box and water bottle • Sun cream & hat, dependent on weather • Inhaler (and spacer if applicable) • Book bag, which should have their homework book/folder in as well as their reading books. • A piece of fruit for morning break. • The younger children may bring a change of clothes in case they have a toileting accident. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys • Hand sanitiser 																											
What should my child wear?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal school uniform 																												
What time should I drop off and collect my child?	<p>The guidance is still discouraging gatherings so each cohort has been allotted a separate drop off and collection time. If you have siblings please select one of the times stated to use for both children. We ask parents to be respectful of this system as coronavirus transmission is higher between adults so drop off and collection time has a much higher risk attached to it.</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Start time</th> <th>Finish time</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Nursery</td> <td>Morning session: 8:30am 30 Hour, all day: 9am Afternoon session: 12:15pm</td> <td>11:30am 3pm 3:15pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reception</td> <td>8.55am</td> <td>3.10pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 1</td> <td>8.50am</td> <td>3.15pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 2</td> <td>8.45am</td> <td>3.10pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 3</td> <td>8.40am</td> <td>3.05pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 4</td> <td>8.35am</td> <td>3pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 5</td> <td>8.30am</td> <td>2.55pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Year 6</td> <td>8.25am</td> <td>2.50pm</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Start time	Finish time	Nursery	Morning session: 8:30am 30 Hour, all day: 9am Afternoon session: 12:15pm	11:30am 3pm 3:15pm	Reception	8.55am	3.10pm	Year 1	8.50am	3.15pm	Year 2	8.45am	3.10pm	Year 3	8.40am	3.05pm	Year 4	8.35am	3pm	Year 5	8.30am	2.55pm	Year 6	8.25am	2.50pm
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What are the lunch arrangements?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will eat their lunch in the hall. Reception at 11:30am, Year 1 at 12 and Year 2 at 12:30pm. Children in these year groups are ALL entitled to a hot meal under Universal School Meal Scheme. However, families can still chose to bring a packed lunch if they wish. • Children in Nursery and Years 3-6 will eat in the classrooms so that we aren't mixing cohort bubbles. For the first few weeks, we are only 																												

	offering brunch bags for children in these year groups that are entitled to Free School Meals.
What happens to the e-vouchers for Free School Meals?	Families will receive a one-off voucher payment of £90 per child week commencing 20 th July to cover the six-week holiday period. The Government's e-voucher provision will stop at the end of August.
Will children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 still have the free fruit scheme?	Although we have not yet received formal confirmation, we believe that the free fruit scheme will re-commence in September.
Will Reception children still have the free milk scheme?	Although we have not yet received formal confirmation, we believe that the free milk scheme will re-commence in September.
What systems will be in place to encourage good hygiene?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand sanitiser available in every classroom • Regular access to hand washing with anti-bacterial soap • 'Catch it, bin it, kill it' approach– tissues available in every classroom, together with lidded pedal bins for safe disposal. Bins will be emptied twice daily, double bagged and disposed of in accordance with guidelines • Hand washing notices and reminders in all classroom and cloakroom areas • Children educated in the importance of hand hygiene. Hand washing supervised as needed.
What happens if my child becomes unwell at school with potential Covid-19 symptoms?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child will immediately be removed from class and taken to the sick bay with an adult staying with them, who will wear PPE. • We will ring parents to collect the child straight away. • You should arrange for a Covid test and remain at home until the results are back. You must notify the school immediately with the results. • The school will contact Public Health England for instruction. • If the result is positive the bubble will be notified and will have to self-isolate for 14 days, so will not be permitted into school during this time; this applies to both adults and children in the group. • If the result is negative, the child may return to school as soon as they are fit and well.
Will the classrooms be laid out differently?	The children will sit side by side on a table as much as possible, as opposed to opposite each other, in a group formation. The children won't be sitting on their own table like they have been during term 6.
Will there be any trips taking place?	We aren't going to plan any trips in Term 1 that involve going on a coach out of town. We're going to settle back into school life first then review the situation.
Will my child still do indoor PE?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wherever possible PE lessons will be outdoors so please ensure that your child has a warm outdoor PE kit with a change of trainers. • Each class has a timetabled indoor session as back-up if the weather is terrible. The hall will be well ventilated with windows and doors open. • Each cohort bubble will have its own PE equipment to avoid sharing resources. Large static equipment will be cleaned down between use by different cohorts.
Will there be any curriculum restrictions?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using musical instruments will still be problematic so we have changed the order of the units we teach, so units that involve using musical instruments will be taught later on in the year. • Music For Schools private tuition will be taking place on site as the children have their own instruments. • Children in Year 5 will not be doing face to face Frank Wise integration in Term 1. • We haven't had confirmation about Year 5 swimming yet.
Will my child be tested in September to see where they are in their learning?	As a school we only ever administer statutory tests as we believe in ongoing informal <i>teacher assessment</i> through everyday teaching and learning. Within the first couple of weeks teachers will use their professional judgement to see the level your child is working at and then plan work from that point. They will not be doing 'tests.'

What does 'catch up' programmes mean?	The Government will be making some money available to schools to ensure we give children the opportunity to catch up in their learning if they have fallen behind. We have not yet received any details of exactly how much. The funding will be used to deliver small group intervention, booster groups, buying in external support if needed, splitting children into 3 smaller classes in Years 5 and 6 for Term 1 in the mornings. Your child's class teacher will discuss any additional support your child will receive once we have carried out our baseline judgements.
Will there be assemblies?	All assemblies will be class assemblies in the classrooms and not in the hall all together. We will still follow the structure of a celebration assembly, a story assembly and an assembly based on our values across the week.
How will my child's mental health and well-being be supported?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are very lucky to have lots of Teaching Assistants so every child has the opportunity to speak to adults if they are feeling worried or anxious. • We will be using resources produced by various national organisations within our circle times and PSHE lessons. • We will refer children to the Mental Health Support Team to offer external support if necessary. • Cohorts will run nurture groups as necessary. • Debbie, our Home School Community Link Worker, is available full time for children and their families. • Children will be encouraged to exercise at every opportunity to keep fit and well. • Parents are encouraged to speak to staff at the first opportunity if they are at all worried about their child.
Will my child be set homework in September?	Yes. We will be following our normal homework policy.
Can parents come on site?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are still encouraging only one adult to come onto the school site with their child. • Parents will not be allowed in the classrooms. • Parents will be encouraged to wait in the designated areas and only come onto the site at the allotted drop off and collection time. • Parents wishing to speak to their child's teacher are asked to do this whilst respecting social distancing. • Government guidance strongly urges families to walk to school where possible.
Should parents wear face coverings on site?	This is not required, however this is parents' choice.
Can my child wear a face covering in school?	No. Government guidance states this is not necessary due to low transmission rates between children.
Will there be a one way system still in place?	Yes. The Queensway entrance is the way in and the main entrance off of Brantwood Rise is the exit.
Is wrap Around Care on offer?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes. Breakfast club starts at 8am and will be held in the cohort bubbles in the classrooms. Parents have to book and pay for places in advance via the ParentPay system. Any credits currently accrued can be used in payment. Drop off is between 8-8:15am. The charge remains at £2 per day. • After School club is until 6pm. Parents have to book in advance. The groups and location will be decided once we know numbers. • Separate information will follow about booking arrangements for both Breakfast and After School Club.
Will clubs be running at lunch time and after school	Not at the moment due to the limitation of mixing cohorts. This includes paid clubs such as Dance and Hotshots.
Can child minders come onto the site?	Yes. Government guidance discourages parents from using multiple childcare providers as it increases the number of bubbles children are mixing with.
Will staff be wearing PPE?	Only in the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administering first aid

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisting with intimate care • If they are waiting with a child in the sick bay who is displaying Covid symptoms and are awaiting collection by their parent.
Is it compulsory for my child to attend school?	Yes. The Government are very clear about this. We will be following our normal attendance policy. Children with significant health conditions, which means they cannot attend school, need to contact us so we can link to the school nurse team.
Will other professionals be visiting school such as Social Workers, School Nurses, Speech Therapists?	Yes, following our risk assessments. This is to ensure that we can deliver a full provision of support to our children in order to meet their needs. 1:1 sessions will be in ventilated rooms with adult and child sat side by side not opposite each other. Strict hygiene measures will be in place.
Will children be outside at play times together?	No. they will remain in their cohorts. Each cohort has been allocated a set playtime and location so they aren't mixing with other cohorts. They will have their own set of play equipment.

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone back again in September and hope this information gives you reassurance that we have everyone's safety at the heart of all that we do.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes

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Head Teacher