

Welcome Back...



Staying COVID-19 Secure in our School

How we safely planned for the wider reopening of our school:



We have carried out, and consulted on, a **Covid-19 risk assessment** and shared it on our website.



We have put in place a series of controls to minimise these risks and these will be regularly reviewed.



We will ensure our colleagues, pupils and visitors are fully aware of these controls and the role they play to keep our school community safe.

To ensure that everyone is welcomed back into a safe environment where they can enjoy school life:



We will make everyone aware that if they display Covid-19 symptoms, or are living with someone who displays symptoms, they need to self-isolate.



If a member of our school community displays symptoms whilst at school, we will ensure that they are able to be isolated and will leave site as soon as is possible.



If any member of our school community tests positive for Covid-19 they will remain at home and we will work with Public Health England, engaging with the test and trace process.

Enhanced cleaning routines:



Dedicated cleaning staff will clean all communal areas, toilets, dining areas and frequently touched surfaces throughout the day.



Classroom desks and high touch areas will be cleaned at the end of each lesson.

We have:



Amended our school policies to ensure that these measures will be adhered to, including a 'no touch' policy for all pupils.



Developed our behaviour policy to ensure that pupils adhere to these.

Hand cleaning and respiratory hygiene:



All communal areas and classrooms will have hand sanitisation stations and staff and pupils will sanitise their hands upon entrance and exit to the room, including breaks, lunchtime and toilet breaks, and after handling any shared equipment.



All rooms will have tissues and double bagged lidded bins and we will promote 'catch it, bin it, kill it'.



Ventilation will be increased, and windows and doors will remain open where this is practical.

We will:



Provide training, modelling, and continuous reminders for all members of our school community on these safety measures.



Test our systems to make sure that they are being followed.



Update our risk assessment in line with current guidance and review it as we settle into our new routines.

Minimising contact and maximising social distancing:

- Staggered the times that pupils will arrive and leave the site.
- Adopted 100-minute lessons to reduce the times pupils move classrooms and around the school site.
- Arranged classrooms with desks in forward facing rows, where possible and to allow teachers to maintain a distance from the class of 2 metres where this is practical.
- Implemented additional controls so that pupils can safely enjoy practical lessons in art, design and technology, drama, science, food, music and PE.
- Staggered break and lunchtimes so that pupils will socialise only within their year groups.
- Agreed not to share equipment between year groups unless it can be thoroughly cleaned between use.
- Adapted workspaces and staff rooms so that adults working in schools will maintain at least 2 metre distancing where practical.
- Asked visitors to attend only by appointment and where there is no other practical way of holding the meeting.

The safety and well-being of our staff and pupils is our key priority.