



# Stradbroke Primary School

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## Schools Returning to Full Attendance - March 8<sup>th</sup>

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

As I am sure you are aware, we are pleased to inform you that national guidance has confirmed that **ALL** children can return to school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. From this date, school attendance will once again become mandatory for all children. I am sure that this news will be received positively by many of you, as it has been by our teachers, who are looking forward to welcoming all of the children back to school, however, for some this may understandably increase your levels of anxiety. Therefore, I have updated our frequently asked questions, below, in order to try and address any concerns or queries people may have at this moment in time, before children return shortly.

- **Does my child have to come back to school straight away on March 8<sup>th</sup> or can I wait?**  
Yes, when we return to school on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, attendance will be mandatory again with guidance to issue fines for non-attendance reinstated. Children identified as clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) who have received a letter advising them to shield should continue to follow this advice until shielding guidance is removed. Children that live with family members who are considered CEV are expected to return to school.
- **Will staff and pupils be expected to wear face coverings?**  
Staff will continue to wear face coverings in communal areas and on corridors, as we have been since autumn, some may choose to also wear them outdoors. There is no requirement for primary aged children to wear face coverings. All parents and visitors entering the school foyer should wear face coverings.
- **Are staff being tested regularly?**  
Yes. From the end of January 2021, all primary school staff began to undertake twice weekly testing. This will continue for the foreseeable future. As yet, there are no plans for primary aged children to have to take tests like there is for secondary school children.
- **Will children be in their classes as normal?**  
Yes. Classes will resume as before in the autumn, with their own yard space and dinner hall time, to ensure that classes do not mix and children are only with the same, consistent group at all times.
- **Will staggered start times and home times be the same as before?**  
Yes. The staggered drop-off and collection times will be the same as the autumn term (see table for a reminder of times). **Please try to be on time.** Only one adult is to accompany children on to the school site at any one time and then we ask you to leave promptly once your children are with their teacher or TA. Please ask older, secondary aged siblings to meet you away from the school grounds and to not use the school as a cut-through to avoid overcrowding.
- **If my child is coughing and/or has a temperature, or is showing any Covid-19 symptoms should they stay off school?**  
Yes. Guidance has not altered, any child showing any symptoms of Covid-19 should not attend school and should book a test. If any household member displays symptoms, the whole household should self-isolate and await confirmation from the test. Close contacts of confirmed cases should continue to follow stay at home guidance.
- **If there is a positive case, will classes still be sent home with remote learning?**





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Yes, if the positive case requires others to isolate. We will always take advice from Sheffield's Public Health team on these matters. If positive cases do result in close contacts being sent home, then learning will be provided for children having to isolate. Home learning will also be available for individuals having to isolate due to family transmission (see our Remote Learning Policy for more details). Laptops and WiFi devices are available for children who need support to access their learning when isolating.

- **Will breakfast and after school clubs be on as usual?**

No. Although wraparound care can be resumed, as a school, we are taking the decision that this will not resume yet, as we do not wish to compromise the class bubbles and increase mixing. We will keep this under review and inform you if this decision changes.

- **How will you be helping children to catch up on learning they have missed?**

We will be reallocating some support teachers and staff to year groups in need of more support, as highlighted by our assessments. We will also be adjusting our curriculum to ensure that we revisit lots of key information that the children might have missed and need reinforcing. Some wider curriculum subjects might be paused for a while as we use that time in the timetable to try and strengthen other priorities depending upon the needs we highlight.

- **Can you guarantee 100% safety?**

We will continue to do all that we can, given the incredibly difficult situation we all find ourselves in, but we cannot absolutely guarantee 100% safety against Covid-19 and eliminate all risk, however, the risk to the health of the children remains very low.

If you would like further clarification over any points raised, or have more questions, please contact school and I will endeavour to answer any of your queries before children are due back in school. I would also like to take this opportunity, once again, to thank everybody for your support with home learning throughout the lockdown; your collective efforts, adults and children, have not gone unrecognised. See you all very soon!

Best Wishes  
Mr J Sitch  
Headteacher

Little Teds, Nursery & Reception*	Y1, Y3, Y5	Y2, Y4, Y6	IR
<b>Drop Off</b>	<b>Drop Off</b>	<b>Drop Off</b>	<b>Drop Off</b>
*8.30 - 8.40 LT/Nursery a.m. – 8.30	8.40 - 8.50	8:50 - 9.00	8.40 – 8.50 Downstairs Hall
<b>Home Time</b>	<b>Home Time</b>	<b>Home Time</b>	<b>Home Time</b>
*3.00 LT/Nursery p.m. – 3.15	3.10	3.20	3:15

