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Dear parents/carers,

School Re-opening Update – Abbey campus

GREAT NEWS! The government has given the go ahead to reopen schools commencing 8 March 2021. We are currently looking at the '@wholeschool' reopening plans in great detail. We can confirm the following pieces of information, which we hope will help with your own planning, before and during the transition week. This is a long letter but it is really important that you are aware of the 'return to school' systems and organisation.

Please be aware that these return to school plans are **provisional** and could be changed at the last minute based on risk assessment, government guidance, COVID19 cases and our staffing capacity. I would therefore ask that you make sure you have provisional **childcare back-up arrangements** in place, just in case! It happened in January, so could happen again.

The First 'Transition' Week.

During week commencing the 8th March:

- We will be undertaking a **phased** return for children in **Nursery to Year 3** over Monday 8th March and Tuesday 9th March, **with ALL children back in school by Wednesday**. This is to support our younger and most vulnerable children with the transition to full classes again. The details of this will be shared with you as soon as possible, via a text message to each individual family.
- On-line lessons will continue to take place whilst children are at home during the transition week.
- When the children return to school, their lessons will be in class bubbles (as they were before Christmas) with play time being run in their year group bubble (as they were before Christmas)
- Most of the children will continue to use the same gates as they were before Christmas but the Year 1 gate and some of the times have changed slightly. **Please have a look at the table on page 3 for the details of times and gates.**
- We will offer school lunch options for Reception to Year 3 children and will share menu details of this with you next week.

During the week of 8th March, our provision for critical workers and vulnerable children will continue.

Uniform will continue as per the Autumn term. Children can wear black or grey jogging bottoms and school uniform tops. Children can bring a bag to school and will need a named water bottle each day and a coat. They do NOT need a PE kit.

Head Teacher: Mrs H Hollis BA (Hons)





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Children in Years 2 and 3 can bring a single piece of fruit each day as a snack. No other food is allowed. Only **plain water** is allowed in their drinking bottles (no squash or fruit juice).

Children must bring back their **POWERMATHS and READING** books to enable them to engage with learning in school.

Any **LAPTOPS** borrowed from school must be returned on the day that your child comes back to school. We will be checking them all off our laptop loan list.

Keep Learning Until the 8th

We ask that all children who are home learning continue to engage in all of their online learning. This will ensure that they are well organised and ready for their return to school. We are very much looking forward to seeing all our Dunkirk children back at school and it will be expected that children return to school, with normal attendance and excellent time-keeping (allowing only for COVID19 isolation/quarantine/bubble closure exceptions).

Learning Catch-Up Focus

Our job now, as a staff team, is to support the children in settling back into their school routines and learning as soon as possible. Because we had the online learning, Class Dojo, phone calls, home visits, email support for families and all our YouTube teaching videos, we were able to make sure that every child (@home and @campus) could start learning together again at the same point. For example, all of our Year 5 children for the last two weeks have been learning about instruction texts and writing different sentence types using a range of language features. This means when they return on the 8th March they will all be at the point and ready to plan and write their own set of instructions, using those language features. Seamless and consistent!

Pupil Progress Reports

Staff have been preparing progress summary videos to send to all the children who have completed the online learning and returned the work. Please make sure that you watch these video messages with your child. The messages will talk about:

- Learning behaviours and attitudes
- Completion of work @campus and @home (via ClassDojo)
- Progress made and next steps

If your child has been learning @home and due to IT issues, you have not been able to send work back via Class Dojo, then we cannot send a video message, and you will receive a letter from me instead. You may have your child's learning in a book etc so please contact school immediately, as we need to find another way to view the evidence of your child's



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learning and support you further to be able to access Class Dojo (which we will continue to use as a school).

Childcare

Dunkirk Fun Club childcare will not be open immediately, as they have a separate risk assessment. This will be reviewed once all the children are back in school. Parents will be contacted with an update ASAP.

Abbey Campus Return

Class	Gate Number	Gate	Gate	Finish Time	Line Arrangements
		Opened	Locked		
YN Fig	2 on Sherwin Road	8:45	8:55	11:35-11:45am	Along green fence towards main entrance gate
YR Apple	2 on Sherwin Road	9:00am	9:10am	3:10pm	Along green fence towards main entrance gate
YR Willow	2 on Sherwin Road				
Y1 Olive	4 on Albert Road	9:05am	9:15am	3:15pm	Along brick wall
Y1 Palm	4 on Albert Road	9:05am	9:15am	3:15pm	In front of car park fence
Y2 Oak	3 on Lenton Boulevard	9:00am	9:10am	3:10pm	Along Lenton Boulevard playground wall
Y2 Mango	Am-3 on Lenton Boulevard	9:05am	9:15am	3:15pm	Along the playground fence pathway wall
	Pm-door 3 on Lenton Boulevard				Along curved brick wall by the white doors
Y3 Maple	3 on Lenton Boulevard	9:00am	9:10am	3:10pm	Along Lenton Boulevard playground wall
Y3 Rowan	Am-3 on Lenton Boulevard	9:05am	9:15am	3:15pm	Along Lenton Boulevard houses brick wall
	Pm-door 3 on Lenton Boulevard				Along curved brick wall by the white doors

We will have each gate open for 10 minutes to support families with children in different classes/campuses. If you are late then you will have to go to the main entrance and wait until we can release a member of staff to come and check your child's temperature and admit them safely onto the campus. We are fully focused on settling the children and supporting learning, not with waiting at gates for late families!

Please make sure you **turn your car engine off** at the start and end of the day. The car fumes smell awful and make many parents, staff and children feel sick in the morning! It also helps if (where possible) **adults wear face coverings** to reduce the risk of



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transmission outside of the school gates. Children can wear face coverings up to the school gates but need to take them off before they come into school grounds. Thank you.

Dropping Your Child Off in the Morning

Families need to **line up** (in their classes) at each gate (**socially distanced**) at the start of the school day. We will NOT accept children into school if parents try and 'jump' the queue and hang around at the gate. This is not safe or fair for all the other families! Parents must wait with children until they are handed over to the teacher at the gate.

Collecting Your Child at the End of the Day

At the end of the day parents/carers need to **line up again** to be able to safely collect their child. We will NOT dismiss children to parent who are 'hanging' around at the gate. We cannot dismiss children to parents/carers waiting in or by their cars or across the road. This is not safe or fair to all the other families. This is the system that all of our staff will be following, as it is part of our 'return to school' risk assessment. We will remind families if they forget!

Parent/carer Q&A session

Next week, I will be holding a return to school 'Question & Answer' session via Zoom. If you have any queries about the re-opening then please do attend. To register your interest in the attending please complete the following online form:

https://dunkirkprimary.formstack.com/forms/question_and_answer_meeting_with_mrs_hollis

For those parents who register, we will email you the Zoom joining code details. If you could send your question(s) in advance to admin@dunkirk.nottingham.sch.uk it will ensure that the meeting is focused on the information that you need to know. Please be aware that this meeting is solely about school re-opening and catch-up learning. It is **not** to discuss:

- Your individual child
- What you think about government policy/decisions
- Individual family circumstances
- Childcare needs

Abbey campus zoom meeting: Wednesday 3rd March 2021 1:30-2:00pm



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We look forward to welcoming our fabulous Dunkirk children back into school (**hopefully but be prepared in case we are not!**) during the week beginning 8th March.

Kind regards Heidi Hollis

Head Teacher