



The John Harrox Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of the current academic year, I would like to wish you all a very relaxing and safe Summer break.

We are, of course, also looking forward to welcoming back the whole school community on the 3rd September 2020, to what we hope will be a less disrupted year.

As such, we have been making plans for how school will be organised. The latest government guidance has been used when doing this, and we will continually review our provision in light of further updates.

Please read the following information carefully so you are aware of the expectations and the routines that will be in place from September.

Guidance on the full opening of schools can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

Who should attend?

All children should attend school from September. School attendance will once again be mandatory. If you have any specific medical concerns regarding your child, such as, they are in the clinically extremely vulnerable group, then please contact the school by phone on 01406 370426 so we are able to discuss and plan for your specific requirements. I advise you to read the most up to date guidance regarding people with medical conditions through the covid-19 pandemic, and also speak to your GP to gain specific individualised advice.

You must not send your child to school, or visit the school yourself, if they or anybody in your household shows any symptoms of coronavirus: a new and persistent cough, high temperature or a loss of taste or smell.

If you, your child or anybody in the household has these symptoms then you must arrange to have a test. Information on how to do this can be found through the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>

If you/your child test positive then you/your child must self-isolate for at least 7 days from when the symptoms started. Following a positive test result all other household members must also self-isolate for at least 14 days.

If you/your child or any member of your household test positive to covid-19, you must inform the school so we are able to discuss the matter with public health.

On what date will my child return to school?

All children in years 1 through to 6 will start school on Thursday 3rd September 2020. Parents of our new reception children have separate information regarding their start to school.

Children will be taught in their class, which was communicated along with your child's report. Social distancing will not be possible in class, although each class will form a bubble and mixing across class bubbles will be minimised.

How should I get to school?

Children should arrive to school by their usual mode of transport. For those children who use school transport we ask that parents place children in sibling groups on the bus and try to maintain social distancing in the seating arrangements between other children. At the end of the day, children will be supervised on to the bus by a member of staff.

I also ask that the bus layby is not used by other parents dropping off and collecting children by car. This causes much congestion outside the school gates, prevents bus access and increases hazards to all other pedestrians. This





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is the standard school request to all parents and I really appreciate the support from the vast majority of parents who adhere to this.

What will the start and end times of the day be?

We have arranged a staggered start and end time to the school day based on the age phase of the children. Please see the table below for the start and end times for your child.

We would expect siblings to arrive and be collected together at the earliest of the respective time allocations. To reduce congestion, we ask that these times are strictly adhered to. Please also leave the school premises/entrance promptly.

Year Groups	Group name	Start school	End school
Reception & Y1/2	Carle Mckee Donaldson Hargreaves	9:00 – 9:10	3:15 collection
Year 3/4	Alhberg Dahl King-Smith	8:50 – 9:00	3:05 collection
Year 5/6	Morpurgo Lewis Rowling	8:40 – 8:50	2:55 collection
Bus children		8:30 (stay on the playground until 8:40am)	3:05 collection

What should I do at the start of the day?

Children will enter school via the school gate as usual. Wherever possible, children should be dropped off at the gate. We understand that some children, particularly the younger children during the earlier days in September, will want an adult to walk with them onto the playground in the morning. We can allow one adult to accompany a child to their entrance. We ask that only the children enter the school building. Please maintain 2m distancing at all times. The following table shows the entrance and collection point for each class at the appropriate times, thank you.

Class Group	Entrance	Collection Point
McKee	McKee back door through the outside area	Middle of playground
Donaldson	Usual Donaldson class entrance	Field end of playground
Hargreaves	Round the back of the school and in through the back door of the classroom.	Field end of playground
King-Smith	Main KS2 entrance	Pre-school end of playground
Ahlberg	Main Donaldson entrance near the school field	Field end of playground
Dahl	Reception Carle class entrance	Middle of playground
Rowling	Class room entrance via the ramp	Middle of playground
Morpurgo	Main KS2 (usual year 5/6) entrance	Pre-school end of playground
Lewis	Reception Carle class entrance	Field end of playground

What should I do at the end of the day?

At the end of the day children will be brought onto the playground from their teaching bubble to one of three zones as identified in the table above. Parents will be able to access the playground from the times identified following the same one-way system in place during the morning drop off. Please maintain the 2m distancing, wait in the allocated area identified and vacate the playground as soon as possible. Thank you.





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What should my child bring?

Children should only bring the following items to school: book bag, packed lunch, water bottle (all easily cleaned) and jacket/coat as required, PE kit. They may bring a rucksack if they wish but please keep additional items to a minimum. Please do not send hand sanitiser or PPE equipment into school.

How will my child have lunch?

Children will eat their lunch in their teaching room. School lunches will be available to order although through September this will only be a packed lunch option. We hope by early October hot meals will once again be available. Further information will be provided early in the new term.

What to wear?

The guidance encourages schools to return to their usual school uniform policy. With this in mind, we expect all children to be in school uniform from the 3rd September. Initially this can either be the Winter or Summer uniform. However, we would expect by the end of September all pupils will be in their Winter uniform as is usually the case. The guidance states that uniforms do not need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal.

How do I contact school?

Please contact the school by phone or email wherever possible. If you have to come in person then please come to the main school office, only one person will be able to enter the foyer at any one time. Parents will be able to speak to staff by appointment only; this will largely be via the telephone or MS Teams.

How do I prepare my child for school?

- Please talk to your child about the arrangements as outlined above and in previous correspondence.
- Discuss social distancing with your child such as not playing closely to another child, not hand holding or hugging others.
- Ensure your child washes their hands before they come to school and discuss hand washing routines with them.
- If you feel it appropriate, use the social stories previously distributed on the school blog.

Above all be positive about the return to school with your child.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation. We are looking forward to children returning in September and our school community becoming whole again.

Take care.

Yours sincerely

D. Pilsworth
Head Teacher

