



Dear Parent / Carer,

Following the release of the latest government guidance and requirements, just a reminder about our COVID risk assessment.

School reopens to new to Hurst Hill Reception pupils and Y1-6 on Monday 6th September and the rest of Reception pupils on Tuesday 7th September.

Please read the risk assessment for September attached for your own awareness but I have highlighted some of the main points below about what measures will remain and what will revert. If there is a local outbreak, we may have to implement further measures and we will be guided by Dudley Public Health and the Department for Education.

- School will go back to normal opening times of 8.45-3pm. Attendance at school is mandatory. Please make sure your child is not late for school and you are not late collecting or you may be eligible for a fine.
- There will be no one way systems or compulsory wearing of face masks on school site but please wear a face mask if you would prefer.
- Pupils will not be in bubbles as the NHS have taken up tracking and tracing individuals for self-isolation. If your child is identified as a close contact they will not need to self-isolate and you will be advised that your child should take a PCR test.
- You must not send your child to school if they display any COVID-19 symptoms. You still need to get them PCR tested to check and let school know the result.
- If someone in your household tests positive, other household members who are under 16 or double vaccinated <u>do not need to isolate</u> and therefore children should come to school, unless they have symptoms or a positive result. If you are unsure, please call the school office before sending your child to school.
- We will continue to set work on Google Classroom for pupils to work from home for any Covid period of self-isolation.
- We will revert to our usual year groups at lunchtimes. Nursery, Reception, Year 4 and Year 5 will eat in the hall but all other year groups will remain in their classrooms. There will continue to be 3 options on the school dinner menu for you to book via Parentmail.
- We are still using control measures in school such as regular handwashing, regular cleaning and open windows and door for extra ventilation. You are still welcome to send your children with hand sanitiser to use in school if you prefer.
- Pupils will be able to sit in groups again in their classrooms.



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• We will be able to go back to having school assemblies, although these will only be in phases to start with.

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- We will be able to sing again in school
- Pupils can still bring water bottles, filled with water only, and can use water fountains in school too.
- We would encourage families to be doing twice weekly LFT testing. Tests can be ordered from https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

We hope you've had a lovely summer!

Kind regards

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