



# Nunnery Wood Primary School



Wednesday 2nd December



Welcome back to all year group bubbles!

It has been a tricky couple of weeks with the recent bubble closures. However, the children have responded well to their remote learning packages, demonstrating resilience and patience in adapting to a new type of learning. Thank you for all your support with the remote learning - we appreciate that it can be challenging to juggle children at home, work and remote learning.

Mr. Bidwell is currently collating feedback from parents of children in recent bubble closures via online questionnaires, as well as talking to the children on their return. We will share our findings with you next week.

As we move into Tier 2 following the National lockdown, there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel with a potential vaccine. However, the likelihood is that in order to keep us all safe the current school systems and procedures will still be in place until at least May 2021. Our robust risk assessment is regularly reviewed and updated to ensure that, as a school, we are doing all we can to lower the risk of transmission. I continue to work with Public Health Worcester whenever advised of a positive case within the school community; rates are lowering in our city and long may that continue.

As a school, we continue to ensure that we adhere to the key measures of our risk assessment:

- work in year group bubbles;
- children sit facing forward from Year 2 upwards;
- staff wear face coverings when outside their bubbles;
- meetings are held virtually;
- staff ensure that two metres distance is upheld between adults in communal areas;
- rooms have capacity signs which staff adhere to;
- touched surfaces are regularly cleaned throughout the day;
- we continue to use staggered starts and staggered finishes.

These measures are in place to support everyone, but our risk assessment goes beyond the school building and classrooms. As a school community we must continue to work together to lower the rate of transmission, as we are fully aware we are not immune to the impact of this virus on our children and staff. I appreciate that many parents are working with us in supporting our current procedures and systems.

However, we need everyone to work together to support everyone in our school community:

- ALL family members must self-isolate if a member of their household is displaying symptoms, and/or awaiting results of a COVID test. Thank you to everyone who is contacting the school to inform us that they are self-isolating.
- all adults and high school children must wear face coverings on school grounds at drop off and collection times (unless they are exempt).
- parents/adults must maintain two metres distance from other households whilst on school site.

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- where possible, only one adult drops/collects their child/children at/from school. This ensures that we have fewer adults on site.
- all adults, carers and high school pupils adhere to drop off and collection times to ensure that there are not large gatherings of adults onsite.

## MORNING DROP OFF

- Children in Aspen, Apple, Chestnut and Cherry class can be dropped off from 8.35am. Children will not be marked late unless they arrive after 9am.  
This is the busiest time as we took the decision to support our families with siblings of these younger children also being allowed to drop off at this time. It is essential that parents/carers adhere to two metres distance from other households.
- Children in Hazel, Holly, Lilac and Lime classes can be dropped off from 8.45am. The majority of children in those classes should be arriving at this time.
- Children in Willow, Oak, Sycamore, Spruce, Maple and Mulberry class can be dropped off at 8.50am.
- The school gates are closed at **9am**.

## AFTERNOON PICK-UP

- Children in Aspen, Apple, Chestnut and Cherry class can be collected from 3.10pm. Staff are in their classrooms until 3.30pm.  
Again, this is the busiest time. It is essential that parents/carers adhere to two metres distance from other households, which will be challenging but is achievable if we all take responsibility for our own actions. If you have children in other bubbles then you can also pick them up at this time. Please ensure that you keep your child/children with you at all times.
- Children in Hazel, Holly, Lilac and Lime classes can be collected from 3.20pm.  
This should be the majority of children. Year 6 children who have permission to walk home alone can leave their classroom at 3.20pm.
- Children in Willow, Oak, Sycamore, Spruce, Maple and Mulberry class can be collected from 3.30pm.
- Only children with brothers and sisters in Years 1 and 2 should be collected from 3.10pm all other children should be collected later. Again, there is no rush, as staff will not leave their classrooms until all children have been collected.

The end of the day is proving to be challenging for parents and carers to maintain a two metre social distance, as too many children are being collected at the wrong time. We also continue to see small groups of high school children coming onsite to collect younger siblings at the wrong time.

If we all work together, even though it might be difficult, we can lower the risk to everyone and support the most vulnerable members of our school community. If you have high school children, grandparents or childminders that drop off or collect your child/ren, please remind them of the procedures we have in place.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Higgins and the Nunnery Wood Primary Team

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