

# CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Return to School for March 8th

I want to thank the parents I have spoken to for all the positive feedback they have given over the last few weeks, it has been wonderful to pass on the comments to the teachers. I also want to thank all the parents for all their hard work over the last two months, I know as a parent myself how challenging it has been to home school whilst juggling work commitments, and it has been a strain on all families across the country. This is why I am excited that the Government is allowing schools to reopen as of **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March for all pupils** (Nursery to Year 6).

The same procedures and routines we adopted in September will continue as before. Guidance from the DfE state these procedures will need to continue for at least until the end of the Spring Term and may have to be extended further. If there is a positive case in school or a national spike of the virus we may have to go back to home learning for some year groups. If we are unable to open for any reason then I will inform parents as soon as possible.

As parents, we will need your full co-operation for us to maintain and lower the risk of infection. The school routines are the same as before the Christmas Holiday but please remind children of these points:

- We will be encouraging social distancing between children and staff (1+ metres). Some staff members are on the clinically extremely vulnerable list and when allowed back to work they **must** stay 2 metres away from all pupils and other staff members.
- Children will come back into their year groups and each year group which consists of 60 children. Each year group is a bubble and are not able to mix with other year groups. The Government do not expect children in their individual year bubbles to social distance from each other, so Maths sets can resume.
- Movement around the school will be infrequent and limited to a one way system to avoid cross overs in corridors.
- Children must clean their hands with soap and water frequently throughout the day.
- Children to try not touching their mouth, eyes and nose.
- Children to use a tissue when they cough or sneeze and to put the tissue into a bin.
- Classrooms look different, tables and chairs have been separated to allow for distancing.
- Stationery and equipment can be shared between pupils in their class, although if parents want to supply personal equipment then they may do so.

- Lunch times and break times will be staggered, so children will not be able to mix outside of their year groups. Balls can be brought in from home but must only be used by their year group.
- Children can only play in 1 area of the playground, the playground will be split into two to allow 2 years groups out at one time.
- If a child is unwell with a continuous cough or high temperature or loss of smell and taste, they will have to wait in the Maths Room whilst waiting to be collected.
- Children must adhere to the school discipline policy, including the new measures of maintaining health and hygiene and social distancing where possible.
- In Early Years activities will be limited so they can't spread the virus.

I have had to remind parents of the conditions that I have had to put in place to allow staff to come to work they include:

- **Parents, carers or children must not enter school if they are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus**
- Only 1 adult can accompany a child to school.
- Children must be dropped off in the playground at their allotted time, when a child is brought late to the front office I have to walk them through school which is a risk to social distancing guidance and bubbles being broken.
- Children must be collected on time.
- A parent/carer cannot approach a member of staff before or after school. If you have a query, you must contact them via email.
- Parents cannot gather at entrance gates or doors.
- Parents must stay 2m away from the children when they are lined up on the playground at the start and end of the day. We will maintain the same routine even if it is raining as we will not be allowing children to come inside early.
- At the end of the day, children will be lined up on the playgrounds. Parents must stand 2m away and the teacher will ask the child to wave at the adult who has come to collect them. The child will then walk towards the parent.
- Parents cannot come into the school building unless an appointment has been requested by telephone first
- Parents coming into the main foyer must wear a face mask.
- Children must attend in uniform each day. PE kits to be worn into school on PE days.

If anyone becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or high temperature in school or loss of taste and smell, they must be sent home. We have a contactless thermometer to check their temperature with and they will be moved to the Maths room where they can be isolated behind a closed door with appropriate adult supervision if required.

When a child or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus, they will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 10 days. All staff and children are encouraged to get tested as quickly as possible if they display symptoms of coronavirus, so we can determine if it is positive or negative case.

Where the child or staff member tests negative, they can return to school when well and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation. When tested you will receive a letter determining

what the outcome is. We need to know what the outcome is to report to Public Health England as school can be instructed to close if a local spike or if an isolated spike occurs within school.

Where the child or staff member tests positive, the rest of their group will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 days. The other household members of that wider class or group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

Children that wish to have packed lunches from home can still do so. Children in Reception and KS1 are currently still able to have a Universal Free School Meal which is provided for free. This is not to be confused with families that require a Free School Meal due to their personal situation, if a family does they will need to prove they are in receipt of Universal Credit and will need to come into school to discuss this or go to this website <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/birmingham/> and process an application online.

If children wish to purchase toast and drink for morning playtime they can do, they will need to order it in class at the start of the day so staff can collect it ready for playtime. Toast costs 20p per slice and a fruit drink costs 30p. If you want, you can order it for the entire week on a Monday.

Before and After School Club will be split between Rec, KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2 year groups, so that bubbles are effectively able to reduce contact. If a parents wish to arrange before and after school care then they need to contact CK Manager Mrs Bye on 0121 6756689.

I ask you to take note of the individual start and end times for your child as they differ between each year group.

### Nursery NB

Start	8.45am
Home Time	11.45am

### Nursery NL

Start	12.30pm
Home Time	3.30pm

### Reception

Start	8.50am
Morning break	10.15am - 10.30am
Lunch	11.15am - 12.30pm
Afternoon Break	1.45pm - 2.00pm
Home Time	3.05pm

### Year 1

Start	8.55am
Morning break	10.30am - 10.45am
Lunch	11.45pm - 12.45pm
Afternoon Break	2.00pm - 2.15pm
Home Time	3.15pm

## Year 2

Start	9.05am
Morning break	10.30am - 10.45am
Lunch	12.00pm - 1.00pm
Afternoon Break	2.00pm - 2.15pm
Home Time	3.20pm

## Year 3

Start	8.45am
Morning break	10.15am - 10.30am
Lunch	12.00pm - 1.00pm
Afternoon Break	2.00pm - 2.10pm
Home Time	3.10pm

## Year 4

Start	9.00am
Morning break	10.30am - 10.45am
Lunch	12.15pm - 1.15pm
Afternoon Break	2.10pm - 2.20pm
Home Time	3.25pm

## Year 5

Start	8.45am
Morning break	10.15am - 10.30am
Lunch	12.15pm - 1.15pm
Afternoon Break	2.00pm - 2.10pm
Home Time	3.10pm

## Year 6

Start	9.00am
Morning break	10.30am - 10.45am
Lunch	12.30pm - 1.30pm
Afternoon Break	2.10pm - 2.20pm
Home Time	3.25pm

If you have any queries, please contact the main school office. Otherwise I very much look forward to seeing you in a couple of weeks.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

