

Wider opening for our primary schools

This is our initial proposed plan for the phased wider re-opening of our STAR MAT Primary Schools.

Our priorities for more children to come to school

Vulnerable • EHCP • SEND • Critical Workers'

Nursery—TBC at school level

Reception—from Tues 2nd June

Y1—Mon 15th June

Y6—Mon 22nd June

Others

This is the order in which children may attend our schools. We will always try to provide places for vulnerable children, children with Educational Health Care Plans, children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and children of workers critical to the Covid-19 response. Others will be accommodated providing we have staff and space within our schools.

Why should more children attend school?



It is good for children's mental wellbeing.



School is the best place for them to learn.



It is good for children to socialise with other children.

What has changed?



We are still working out if it will be possible to welcome back children who have not been at school for some time. If it is possible, those children will be from Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. Priority will be given as described above.

What about their brothers and sisters?



Sorry, at this stage, only children in the year groups described above.



For now, children in Years 2-5 need to stay at home.

Does my child have to come to school?



If you decide to take up the offer of a place, then your child should attend EVERY day possible, unless they are ill or have an appointment.



Should you decide not to take up the offer of a place, then at this point no penalty notices will be issued.

How are you making sure school is safe?



We will check for risks before school opens.



If a child or family member is sick, they cannot come to school.



There will be fewer children in a classroom.



Everyone will wash their hands regularly.



School will be cleaned regularly.

What might change at school?



The time you drop off and pick up your child. Only one parent/carer should attend.



Lessons and the curriculum will change; some subjects may not be possible



Your child may have a different classroom and a different teacher.



Lunches will be served as a packed meal and taken outside wherever possible

Will my child be tested?



If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19, yes, they will be able to be tested.

Will school be every day?



NO. Please pay close attention to school level planning. All schools will be closed at least part of the week, apart from key worker children

What if there is a case of Covid-19 at school?



14 days

If anyone within a 'class bubble' tests positive, then that whole group must self-isolate for 14 days. This includes any adults working with that group.



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The family members of the positive case must also self-isolate for 14 days. The family members of the other group members need only self-isolate should that group member in their family show symptoms.



7 days

If you think you have symptoms, self-isolate for 7 days.