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2 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope that you all had a very enjoyable summer break. It was an absolute delight to welcome back all of the children today. They were all thrilled to be back to school and as I walked around the school and into classrooms today they all had beaming smiles running across their faces!

After receiving the latest Government guidance, I am now in a position to share some key information about the return to school for all pupils.

The Government has made it a national priority that education and childcare settings should now operate as normally as possible during the COVID-19 pandemic. I have included some key changes in this letter.

Start and end to the school day

- There will be a soft start to the beginning of the school day from **8.45am to 8.55am**. Pupils from Nursery, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 can access the school site using the gates via Main Avenue or the Green Gate on Ermine Side. Pupils in Years 3 and 4 should access the school site from the Black Gate on Ermine Side which will give pupils direct access to their classrooms. **Gates will close promptly at 9am, so if your child arrives after this time, they will need to go to the School Office where they will be marked as late, as registers will have already been taken.**
- There will be staff in the playgrounds and at the entrances to direct you if you need help locating your child's class.
- The end of the school day is at 3.15pm and classes will be escorted to the North Playground where they can be collected from their class collection points.

Breakfast and After School Club

- Breakfast and After School Clubs will continue. Please contact the office if you would like to request a place by sending an email to wrap@bushhillpark.enfield.sch.uk
- Children who are attending Breakfast Club will arrive through the Main Office Entrance. Breakfast Club starts at 7.50am.
- The costs are currently £2.00 for breakfast Club and £8.00 for after school club. Payment must be made on ParentPay in advance.

School Office

Our School Office hours are 8am to 1.130pm, and 2pm to 4pm – the office will be closed between 1.30pm – 2pm every day. If you need to collect or return a child for an appointment, please make sure this takes place outside of this time. Any calls will be diverted to an answerphone and will be responded to.

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Contact tracing

- Schools will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing. This is now being carried out by NHS Test and Trace.

Self-Isolation

- Staff, pupils, parents and carers **must not** come into school if they have COVID-19 Symptoms.
- If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange to have a PCR test as soon as possible. You can arrange this online ([Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)) or by phone by calling 119.
- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result should stay at home and self-isolate immediately. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>
- Self-isolation period starts immediately from when your symptoms started, or, if you do not have any symptoms, from when your test was taken. Your isolation period includes the day your symptoms started (or the day your test was taken if you do not have symptoms), and the next 10 full days.

Sending pupils home

If anyone develops COVID-19 symptoms at school, however mild, they will be sent home. They will be taken to a room to self-isolate until collected. **Please therefore ensure that all your emergency contact details are up to date.**

Close contacts

Individuals **DO NOT** have to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

This means that all primary aged children should come to school as normal unless they themselves have COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result. Instead, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

Face Masks

Parents and staff are no longer required to wear face masks at school.

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Medication

If you have any medication that needs to be returned to school, please bring this to Miss Paula via the School Office.

I am very excited about the prospect of the return to normality and look forward to a much calmer and settled academic year.

Yours faithfully

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