

North Somercotes Church of England Primary School

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Reopening of School - March '21

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following this week's announcement, we are hugely excited to be opening for all children on Monday 8th March. Please read the following information. This will support all families in facilitating a safe return to school and ensuring we comply with all Government and PHE guidance.

Attendance

Attendance at school will be compulsory. In adhering to all Government guidance, we are expecting full, punctual attendance.

Bubbles

We will be operating a system of phased bubbles. During the school day children will work and play as a class or within these bubbles. There will be 3 bubbles in school – Rec/Y1/Y2, Y3/Y4 and Y5/Y6.

Uniform/PE Kit

Children will be expected to attend in full school uniform. On allocated PE days the children should attend school in their PE kit/Sportswear. PE will mostly be outside so we recommend warm PE kit/Sportswear. Children will not be getting changed at school.

Allocated PE Day			
Rec/Y1/Y2 Wednesday			
Y3/Y4	Thursday		
Y5/Y6	Friday		

Drop Off/Collection Times/Area

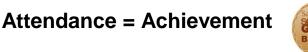
	Drop Off Time	Collection Time	Drop Off/Collection Area
Rec	8:45am	3:10pm	Rec Classroom Fire Door
Y1/2	8:45am	3:10pm	Y2 Classroom Fire Door
Y3/4 Bubble	8:55am	3:20pm	Y3 Classroom Fire Door
			Y4 Classroom Fire Door
Y5/6 Bubble	8:55am	3:20pm	Y5 Classroom Fire Door
			Y6 Classroom Fire Door

Please ensure you adhere to these start/finish times. Lesson time will be finishing at 3pm to prepare for safe and smooth transition home for all children. The gates will not be opened before 3pm. For the safety of all children please do not park on the school site. Children who use school transport will be safely supervised to adhere to these times. Only one adult per child is requested to come on to the school site to drop their child off. Please maintain distance when on the school site and please leave promptly. We are fortunate to have large open spaces so the need to be within 2 metres of other parents and carers is minimal.

















School Transport

Grayscroft and Hunts will be continuing to provide school transport for eligible children. Please contact them if you have questions about their service. Our school minibus will be running at full capacity – this will be done in conjunction with recommended hygiene protocols. **The minibus will run to the timetable given for the Autumn Term.** If you have any questions regarding the school minibus please contact Mrs Selby in our school office.

Breakfast Club

This will be a reduced service only available to the children who travel on the first minibus runs from Louth. **If you have urgent need for Breakfast Club provision due to your employment please contact school to discuss this.** We are provisionally planning to fully reopen Breakfast Club after the Easter break.

Extra-Curricular Provision

There will be no after-school clubs until after Easter at the earliest. Guitar and Brass lessons will be continuing – full details of this will be sent out in due course. GTFC Sports Coaches will be teaching PE to all classes.

School Dinners/ParentPay

Children will be eating their lunch in the school hall within their bubbles. Staggered lunches will be in operation between 11:30am and 1pm. The menu is available on our school website. For those not currently attending, school menus will be available to be collected from classrooms on the morning of Monday 8th when you drop your child off. To help our ordering for the first day back please try and complete a menu in the morning and hand it in to the school office or view the menu online and email your initial menu choices to office@nspri.co.uk. All payments must be made through ParentPay. Any questions please contact Mrs Selby.

School Bags/Book Bags

There will be no need for children to bring anything other than a **small bag or their book bag to school as well as their water bottle.** The only other item required to come between home and school is a packed lunch, if required.

Cleaning/Hygiene Protocols

Fundamental to school opening safely for all children will be rigorous cleaning and hygiene routines. School staff will regularly be sanitising shared areas throughout the school day and our cleaning provider has an enhanced programme in place. Children will be required to use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day and we will have enhanced handwashing in place. Children are not required to wear face masks in school and staff will only wear PPE when providing personal care to children.

Curriculum/Well-being

Once again, our key focus will be supporting children socially and emotionally with restarting school and reestablishing routines. We will be adapting curriculum provision as is needed. We are committed to helping every child "Catch-Up" but this will take time and cannot be rushed. We intend to strike the right balance for each child.

Collective Worship/Assemblies

These will take place within the bubbles. Our core Christian Values will underpin these. Celebration Assemblies will continue fortnightly, however we are unable to invite parents/carers into school. We will post photographs on our school website and on Twitter. **Please follow us @nsceprischool**

School Office/Meetings

Please only visit our school office if your enquiry is essential. **All meetings and visitors will have to be pre-booked**. A quick message at the start/end of the day to teachers is fine but longer discussions will have to take place over the telephone. Likewise teachers may arrange a telephone consultation with parents should the need arise.

















Covid-19 Protocols

You must ensure that if anyone in your household has **COVID-19** symptoms, your child does **NOT** attend school and a test is organised. Any child or staff member who develops symptoms in the school day will be sent home immediately. If anyone in your household, or your child, tests positive for COVID-19 you MUST inform the school.

Microsoft TEAMs/Communication

Once school fully reopens work will only be placed on Microsoft TEAMs in the event of a bubble closure or if bespoke support is required for individual families self-isolating or shielding. This will need to be discussed with school. **Class teachers will not be checking messages on this regularly** so please return to the original communication methods of calling school or emailing office@nspri.co.uk with any enquiries.

Thank you in advance for your support with these necessary protocols and procedures. **Thank you also for all you have done for your children with home schooling.** We look forward to working together with all of you to facilitate a safe return to school and once again making school **a place of fun, happiness and purpose for ALL the children to enjoy.**

Yours sincerely

Paul Floyd Headteacher











