



COVID-19 6th September Opening Arrangements: Frequently Asked Questions:



Please see the updated Risk Assessment on our website. This document has been amended following new guidance from the government on 16th August 2021 and complies with the arrangements in [School Covid-19 Operational Guidance](#) and [Contingency Framework: educational and childcare settings](#). This document sets out the ways we have attempted to mitigate actions. This is a working document which will need to be regularly updated and is therefore liable to change. After completing the Local Authority Risk Assessment, we have produced Frequently Asked Questions which summarises the comprehensive document.

From Monday 6th September 2021:

Where will I drop my child off for school?

Children can now be taken to the school playground with their parents. It has been advised by the Local Authority that parents should continue to wear face coverings whilst on the school site when dropping off and picking up children. Once the bell has gone and children are in their line, please can parents leave the site in an orderly fashion and remain distanced from each other. The government has removed the requirement to wear face coverings in law but expects and recommends that they are worn in enclosed and crowded spaces where you may come into contact with people you don't normally meet. **Remember there is no parking on the school drive.**

School **starts at 8.55am** and **finishes at 3.30pm**. Please be prompt when dropping off or picking up children as this can cause distress to your child if you are late.

How will children be grouped and where will they be?

Children will be taught in whole class groups, in their classrooms with their new teachers and support staff.

Classes are as follows:

Class	Teacher/s
Reception	Mr Bromage
Year 1	Mrs Jones
Year 2	Mrs Rouledge and Mrs Golby
Year 3	Mrs O'Malley
Year 4	Miss Long
Year 5	Mrs Skuse
Year 6	Mrs Paterson and Mr Christie

The children are no longer in bubbles and this means that bubbles will not need to be used in schools from the autumn term.

Will children have alternative arrangements for lunch and assembly?

There are no longer alternative arrangements for mixing at lunch times. Lunchtimes will revert back to EYFS and KS1 from 12pm to 1pm and KS2 will have their lunch from 12.15pm to 1.15pm. Children will receive their lunches in the school hall and hot meals will be available. We have now reverted back to Red, Green and Brown wrist bands. Meals cost of £2.25 a day or £11.25 a week. Payments must be made through the online payment system – please contact the office for details.

Full assemblies will not return straight away. Instead, smaller group assemblies will take place in the hall so KS1 and KS2 will have their own assemblies separately in the first instance.

Will there be before and after school club provision?

- Parents have the option to access wraparound care (Before and After-School Clubs). Contact for Before-School club: Denise 07876211946 and Marty's After-School club: Joy Baker 07900958414 / 07561131885
- Before and after school clubs will resume week beginning 13th September. These will run alongside our wider protective measures and limited group sizes, in the first instance, depending on the activity. We shall liaise with the external companies who run these clubs and monitor during the first half term and then adjust accordingly.

Will my child be accessing the full curriculum?

- Yes – in line with government guidance, children will be offered a full, balanced and broad curriculum, with teaching time prioritised to address the most significant gaps in children's knowledge.
- The government has required that homework will continue to be set using the Remote Learning arrangements from 2020-21 to ensure children are suitably ready for the prospect of using their Remote Learning for a closed class due to Covid-19. This falls under their [Remote Education temporary continuity direction for schools](#). Children will be reminded of their login details when they come back to school and how to use Microsoft Teams. Please ensure children are familiarised with working on Teams over the next term.

What safety measures will be put in place in classrooms and around school?

- Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
 - Hand hygiene
 - Respiratory hygiene ('catch it, bin it, kill it')
- Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
- Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
- Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

Visitors to the School Site

- Parents are not permitted to enter the school site. Where possible, communication with the school should be through telephone or email.
- Parents will not be invited onto site for class assemblies and school performances until further notice.
- Where a meeting is required, this will be online where possible.

Uniform and Resources:

- Unless it is their allocated PE Day, children are expected to wear full school uniform, including black school shoes. Children should only wear trainers for PE. Please see our website for a comprehensive look at our school uniform.
- All children have been allocated slots for PE lesson. On this day, Children may come to school wearing their school PE kit and trainers with additional items of warmer clothing if required.

PE Timetable this Autumn Term

Day	Year group Autumn 1	Year Group Autumn 2
Monday	5 and 6	3 and 4
Tuesday	2,3,4, and 5	2, 3, 5 and 6
Wednesday	1 and 5	5 and 1
Thursday	2 and 4	2 and 4
Friday	1, 3 and 6 (Year 3 will be swimming)	Reception, 1 and 6 (Year 3 will be swimming)

- Year 5 and 6 only will be permitted to bring in a pencil case with pens, pencils, optional colour pencils (please do not bring in felt tips), highlighters, ruler, eraser, sharpener. Pens **must not be** ball point with blue ink.
- Children will only be permitted to bring 'essential items' into school e.g. a bag/bookbag (containing: spelling book, homework book, home reader), coat, lunchbox, water bottle.
- They will store their belongings in the cloakrooms allocated to their year group.

Will my child be tested for Covid-19 in school?

- No. Primary age pupils will not be tested with lateral flow devices. Public Health England have advised there are currently limited public health benefits attached to testing primary pupils with LFDs.
- As previously advised, staff in primary schools (including support staff, lunchtime supervisors and volunteers) will continue to test with lateral flow devices twice a week at home, as per existing guidance on testing for staff in primary schools and nurseries.

What if a child/adult displays symptoms of Covid-19 when in school?

Positive Cases, testing and contact tracing

- From 16th August 2021 isolation will no longer be required for doubly vaccinated close contacts and children under 18 years and 6 months of age. Staff, parents and children (if acceptable to parents) should continue routine LFT testing as this will be a key mitigation to try and avoid bringing the infection into settings. Warwickshire Public Health will continue to work with settings to reinforce this with parents and the wider community.
- School will ensure that they are aware of and log all children and staff in the setting who have tested positive for COVID-19 including dates for onset of symptoms (if relevant) and test dates, as well as any links and exposures inside or outside of the setting. NHS Test and Trace should have been in contact with the positive case to ascertain some of the known close contacts and recommended any contacts to get a PCR test.
- Parents will be notified that there is a positive case, and recommend that children get a PCR test, and undertake twice weekly LFT testing (LFT testing for children if acceptable to parents). If you have continued with some local measures and mitigations. It is suggested as a minimum school ask all close contacts that the case may have had in their infectious period (2 clear days prior to day of symptoms onset/test (if no symptoms) through to 10 days afterwards) to get a PCR test.
- If there is more than one case in the same class/group in a short time period, it may be recommended that parents/staff are notified and an additional PCR test recommended 4-7 days after that notification. Further actions may also be recommended by the LA.
- This approach is intended to complement the work of NHS Test and Trace who will talk to cases (or their parents) directly about any close contacts they know about in the setting.

What if a child/adult in school tests positive for Covid-19?

- If someone tests positive, they should follow the '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)' and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. Close household members begin self-isolation from the day the symptoms start or if they had no symptoms, from the day of the positive test.
- Parents should contact the school immediately to report a positive case. During the school day, this can be reported by calling the school office on 01788 543423. Outside of school hours please notify the school by emailing admin3564@welearn365.com
- Where a child or staff member tests positive, the school will work with and notify Warwickshire Public Health
- Adults must quarantine if they display symptoms whilst awaiting a test.
- Should a staff member test positive using a Lateral Flow Test, then they will be required to book a PCR test (the usual Covid-19 test which is administered at a testing centre) to confirm the result.
- If the test is confirmed as positive, then anyone who has been in close contact will receive a letter, they do not need to isolate if they are not showing symptoms but are recommended if been in close contact to take a PCR.
- Anyone who has not received both vaccinations must isolate for 10 days. Anyone who is double vaccinated and has received the 2nd vaccine more than 14 days ago, will not need to self-isolate but it is advised that they take a PCR test.
- If schools have a large number confirmed cases then we will inform Warwickshire Public Health and they will guide us.

What Home Learning opportunities will be provided to children who are required to self-isolate?

- Remote education via Microsoft TEAMS will be provided to all children who are self-isolating.
- We have a number of electronic devices available to loan to any family where a child is self-isolating in order for them to access our online remote learning provision. Please contact your child's class teacher or the school office to request a device
- All children who are self-isolating will receive a weekly 1:1 'Learning Tutorial/Welfare Check' from a member of staff using Microsoft Teams.

What support is available to me and my family?

- If your child requires any support for bereavement, please speak to the Headteacher.
- The website <http://dearlife.org.uk/> has been created by health and social care partners across Coventry and Warwickshire to help people find the tools to maintain and improve their wellbeing and the wellbeing of others. It offers a wealth of information about where to get help in a crisis, advice on how to maintain good mental health, how to help others in need and comprehensive signposting to support.
- With the current situation, young people are spending a lot more time online. They often use the internet in a completely different way to older generations, so it's hard not to worry about what they may have access to. To keep young people safe online giving you some peace of mind: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/keeping-child-safe/cyber-safety/1>
- Warwickshire County Council has its own service dedicated to helping families. The Family Information Service provides support and advice for families across Warwickshire: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families>. If you have specific concerns you can also call the family support line on 01926 412412.
- Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Service 'Compass' can provide advice and support with the following:
 - Sleep: Promotion of good bedtime routines

- Safeguarding: Keeping children safe
- Wellbeing: Promoting positive feelings and behaviours
- Healthy Eating: Promoting healthy eating habits
- Contenance: Helping children to be toilet trained both day and night
- Health: Supporting children with medical conditions
- Starting School

Support can include individual or group support or parental workshops

Contact Details: 03300 245 204 Parentline Text Service: 07520 619376

Website: www.compass-uk.org