

# Charlesworth School

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## Update on Arrangements for Return To School

Dear Parent/Carer,

Now the staff team have had chance to discuss the proposed arrangements, there are a few amendments to the details that were sent out a couple of weeks ago. I have also clarified a few points that were raised by parents since the FAQ document was produced. As we look forward to the children returning on Monday, please take note of any changes that relate to you or your child.

### **Please Do Not Bring Bags Into School:**

As previously stated, all equipment will be provided in school. Therefore, pupils should not bring anything other than a coat, water bottle and, if necessary, a lunch box into school. **This means that we will not accept bags in school.** If a child arrives with a school bag, it will be immediately stored in a secure place and will be inaccessible to the child until they leave to go home.

### **Please Do Not Park At The Front of The Junior Entrance:**

In order to ensure the safety of pedestrians and enable adequate social distancing, please do not park or drive your car onto this area. Parents will need to park elsewhere and walk to the front of the junior entrance.

### **Return of Library Books:**

Children may have been given library and reading books before lockdown that they were unable to return. Next week, each class will provide a returns box for children to place the books in when they arrive. They will then be stored for 72 hours before being returned to the library.

### **Arrival of Class Three and Four:**

Please be aware that these classes are using separate entrance and exit routes which will ensure adequate space for parents and children to gather outside the school grounds in a socially distanced manner.



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### **Class Two Departure Arrangements:**

**Class Two will now depart from the playground gate into the church yard.** We have already planned to stagger the end of the school day for infant children. Class One will be leaving at 3pm so that there is no unnecessary contact between the class bubbles and there will be ample space for parents to socially distance. Then, as already planned, Class Two will leave through the same entrance at 3.15pm.

### **Infant Building Visitor Entrance:**

**From Monday, visitors (including parents who have a pre-arranged meeting) will be enter the school through the door at the side of the building (opposite the playing field).** This door leads into a porch where visitors can ring the bell to announce their arrival. This will allow a member of staff (normally Mrs Kinnersley) to open the door into the office area where they can sign in and await the person they have arranged to visit.

### **Pupils Arriving Late:**

In order to prevent cross over between class bubbles when a child arrives late, the parent should accompany their child to the door designated for their class:-

Class One: The infant visitor's entrance (see above)

Class Two: The pupil entrance by the infant cloakroom/toilet

Class Three: The side entrance by the junior cloakroom/toilet

Class Four: The main entrance to the junior building

A bell will be at each entrance and when rung, an adult will answer who can receive the child into school. When the door is opened, parents should step back to a 2m distance from the door and let their child enter the school building on their own.

**No child should arrive at the school entrance unaccompanied at any time** unless if they are in Class Four and their parent has given signed permission for them to walk to and from school on their own.

### **Water Bottles:**

Previously we requested that water bottles were left in school to be washed and refilled. **We are now asking parents to take the water bottle home each day.** Some children may also have a drink in their lunchbox if they are on packed lunches. In all cases we would politely request that parents avoid disposable drinks bottles in an aid to support the reduction of plastic in the environment.

If a child forgets their water bottle (or finishes the drink and is thirsty), please be assured water will always be made available in cups if needed.

### **Catering Arrangements:**

After discussion with the Derbyshire Catering, the children will be provided with a hot school meal but the menu will be more limited than normal to ensure that we can serve the food to children in the classroom. There will be a vegetarian option and the needs of children with special dietary requirements will still be met as before. These arrangements will of course review this on a regular basis.

Please remember that a hot school meal is available free of charge to all infant children. However, if after discussing this with your child, you wish to change them to packed lunch, please make the school office aware as soon as possible.

### **Outdoor Clothing:**

We previously requested that pupils arrive at school in their PE kit on the day that they are timetabled for a PE lesson. **Please note that there is no planned PE for the first week back.** During that week the usual class welcome letters will be sent out by Class Dojo and this will include the days that children will be expected to arrive in their PE kit.

However, as part of an extensive risk assessments we are planning to use the outside as much as possible. Therefore, it is really important that they bring the appropriate clothing e.g., warm coat if cold and waterproof coat if wet.

### **Indoor Footware for Class Two:**

In order to increase the opportunities for children in Class Two to access outdoor learning, we will be using the field more frequently. Therefore, children will need to bring in a pair of indoor shoes (e.g., plimsols) to prevent the spread of mud to in the classroom. These should be labelled with the child's name and brought into school at the start of the term. School will provide a storage bag for their outdoor shoes to be hung in the cloak area.

### **Test and Trace:**

A record of all visitors to the school will be retained for at least 21 days to support the government tack and trace procedures. Please make sure if you have a pre-arranged visit to school that you complete all of the details on the signing in sheets. If you, for any reason, have taken a Covid-19 test, please would you help the school by informing us of the results (both positive and negative).

### **Quarantine Arrangements:**

Please help school to reduce the possible chance of infection by following the current government guidelines regarding quarantine arrangements when returning from abroad. If you have recently returned and are required to quarantine, please contact school as soon as possible so we can arrange on-line learning support for you child.

Yours sincerely,



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