



St. Nicholas Primary School Protocols for Parents – September 2020

Introduction

These are very challenging times for our country. Measures put in place to reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) have been hard for us all, but have kept people safe and saved lives. Keeping people safe continues to be the government's priority.

For all pupils to return safely to school from September 2020, a number of protective measures will be implemented. These measures have been planned in order to mitigate identified risks, whilst allowing the delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum; including full educational and care support for those pupils who have SEND.

Protective Measures

This is the set of actions the school will take. They are grouped into 'prevention' and 'response to any infection'.

Prevent

- 1) minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school
- 2) clean hands thoroughly more often than usual
- 3) ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
- 4) introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents and bleach
- 5) minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible
- 6) where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)

Respond

- 7) engage with the NHS Test and Trace process
- 8) manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community
- 9) contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice

Symptoms

Any pupil or staff member must not attend school if they have any of the symptoms of coronavirus:

- continuous cough
- loss or change to their sense of smell or taste
- Fever (high temperature)
- Difficulty in breathing

Testing for the Virus

All staff and pupils will be eligible for testing if they become ill with coronavirus symptoms, as will members of their household. This will enable children to get back to education, and their parents or carers to get back to work, if the test proves to be negative.

A positive test will ensure rapid action to protect their classmates and staff in their setting.

Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus in the School

When a child or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus, they should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 7 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days. All staff and students who are attending a school will have access to a test if they display symptoms of coronavirus.

Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, the rest of their group will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days. The other household members of that group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

As part of the national test and trace programme, if other cases are detected within the school, Public Health England's local Health Protection Teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise the school on the most appropriate action to take. In some cases, a larger number of other children and young people may be asked to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure - perhaps the whole class, site or year group.

Where settings are observing guidance on infection prevention and control, which will reduce risk of transmission, closure of the whole setting will not generally be necessary

Travelling to School

It is recommended that all children walk or cycle to school and avoid the use of public transport.

The school's bike shed will be operational as usual.

No cars will be allowed in the car park – unless you have a disabled badge. This is due to pedestrians needing to access the two playground gates. Parents should park offsite.

Start time and school leaving times will be staggered to avoid gatherings at the school gates.

Only one parent should drop off and collect the children.

There will be three drop off points and you will be notified where you can drop off and collect your child. Please be aware of social distancing.

School Meals

Children eligible for free school meals will be offered a school packed lunch; this includes a hot and cold option each day.

Other children must bring a packed lunch from home.

Children in school who are eligible for universal free school meals – FS 2 and Year 1 and Year 2 will receive a free lunch.

Children who are entitled to free school meals in Years 3 - Year 6 will receive a free school meal.

Children in FS 2, Year 1 and Year 2 will eat their meals in the dining hall, seated away from each other – not facing each other. Times will be staggered so that each year group does not come into contact with each other.

Key Stage 2 pupils will eat their lunch in their classroom.

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Breakfast Club/ After School Club

Unfortunately, due to social distancing guidelines, we will have to reduce the numbers of children in breakfast club and after school club. This is because children from one year group are not allowed to mix with children from another year group, unless we can ensure strict social distancing. Therefore, breakfast club and after school club will be limited to the children of key workers. Both breakfast club and

after school club, must be booked for, and paid for in advance via school money. This is available from Monday 20th July. Once the capacity has been reached the system will not allow any more bookings to be made. Breakfast club will run from 8.00am and the cost is £1.50 per child per day. After school club will run from the end of school till 5.30pm. As there are no teacher led after school clubs and for ease of admin, there will now be a flat rate charge for after school club. This is £4 per day. After school club will now take place in the school hall. Entrance and exit will be via the Y5/6 door. Due to enhanced cleaning routine all children must be picked up by 5.30pm.

Homework

To reduce the amount of things that will travel from home to school, homework will be set on Class Dojo and Purple Mash.

In certain circumstances, paper homework will be set.

After School Clubs

For the first half term at least, there will be no teacher led school clubs or sports clubs.

Protective Measures

All pupils will wash their hands at various times in the day – after coming into school, before and after break, before and after lunch, after sneezing and coughing and at a home time. Pupils are supervised when washing their hands to ensure that it is done thoroughly. Toilets are checked throughout the day to ensure that soap is always available. Door handles and flushes are cleaned regularly.

All classrooms have cleaning products and hand sanitiser.

Children will be taught about catch it, bin, it, kill it. Lidded are bins are used for tissues.

The school has implemented enhanced cleaning regimes.

The school has supplies of PPE for use when necessary.

If pupils become ill at school, they will be taken to the isolation room until they can be collected and taken home. Children will be supervised during this time. Please can you make sure that the school has up to date contact details of at least two people.

At the moment, the guidance from the government states that children and adults in school do not need to wear face masks. If this changes, we let you know.

Year Group	Start	Finish	Drop Off/ Collection
FS 2	8.45am	3.00pm	Pedestrian Gate
Y1	8.45am	3.00pm	Pedestrian Gate
Y 2	8.55am	2.55pm	Pedestrian Gate
Y3	8.55am	3.00pm	Playground Gate 2
Y4	8.45am	2.55pm	Playground Gate 2
Y5	8.55am	3.00pm	Playground Gate 1
Y6	8.45am	2.55pm	Playground Gate 1

Please look at the start and collection times for your child's class. Times are staggered in line with the guidance from the Government.

It is extremely important that children arrive at school on time to avoid gatherings at the gates and in the playgrounds. Children who arrive late may not be admitted.

Years FS2 – 6 Organisation - Protective Measures

Children will be allocated to a bubble with their teacher and a TA. They will stay in this bubble for the whole time they are in school and will not mix with children from other bubbles. Playtimes and lunchtime are arranged so children will spend different

times outside. Each bubble has their own section of the playground. Bubbles will not mix with each other.

Year 1 children will be taught in phonics groups in their classroom. Staff from both classes will teach the children. The staff will move around. Social distancing will be implemented. Year 1 children will also have continuous provision to enable them to catch up from their missed time in FS 2, so they will share resources.

FS2 children will still have full access to all the EYFS areas during continuous provision and so will mix with their peers.

Children will be seated in rows – forward facing. Children will remain at their desks and the staff will remain at the front of the classroom. Children will have a tray with all their resources in – pencils, pens, glue, scissors and paper. These will not be shared between children.

There will be no assemblies held in the school hall or mixed year groups in the dining hall.

Children must not bring anything into school from home, other than their packed lunch, a water bottle and PE kit. Year 6 may bring their mobile phone if they walk to and from school alone, but this must be handed to the class teacher upon arrival. Children will not change into indoor shoes.

The Curriculum

A full broad and balanced curriculum will be taught. In the first few weeks, there will be a focus on pupil wellbeing.

The school is planning a recovery curriculum to enable pupils to catch up on learning that has been missed due to the lockdown.

Home reading books will be sent home on a Monday and returned to school on Thursday. They are then untouched for 72 hours.

Keeping in Touch

Please use the school's website and Twitter to keep up to date with any changes.

Admin Arrangements

Due to social distancing, parents will be actively discouraged from entering the school building. Parents must ring or email to contact the school.

The email address to use is admin@St.nicholas.hull.sch.uk

The school phone number is 01482 444215