

MARCH 8TH RETURN

A guide for parents.

Everybody Excelling. Every Day. No Excuses!

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The wider re-opening of school from 8th March

The Government has made their position on school attendance from 8th March 2021: "Attendance is mandatory from Monday 8th March 2021"

We hope this document reassures you that we have considered all the measures to keep your child safe.



Prides:

All children will be educated in their class or Year Group Prides and will not mix with other Prides. We have considered the size of year groups when deciding on Prides.

EYFS—Nursery and Reception will be one Pride to enable all children to access the outdoor areas

Year 1—Year Group Pride

Year 2—Year Group Pride

Year 3—Year Group Pride

Year 4—Year Group Pride

Year 5—Class Group Prides

Term Dates:

Monday 8th March—Spring 2 Term

Close for Spring Break—Thursday 1st April at 1.30pm

Open for Summer 1—Monday 19th April

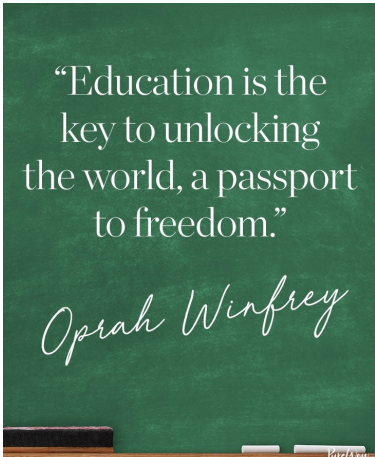
Half term—Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

Open for Summer 2—Monday 7th June

Close for Summer 2—Wednesday 21st July 1.30pm

I. Prevention

- A. If a member of staff, pupil, parent or any other adult show symptoms of Coronavirus or they have tested positive within the last 10 days, **they are not to attend school.**
- B. Parents or staff members must arrange an immediate test for Covid 19. The school can help with booking a test if needed. If the test is negative, the child or adult may return to school. If it is positive all members of the household must isolate for 10 days.
- C. There is a stock of PPE in school which will be used if a child develops symptoms at school.
- D. We expect all families to inform us if they have travelled abroad. If



they have travelled to countries on the Red List they will be expected to quarantine in Government controlled hotels. If the country is not included they may still need to quarantine at home for at least 10 days on their return.

2. Physical Distancing:

Physical Distancing in the classroom— we know that children find it difficult to remain physically distanced from one another. We have set classrooms up in Yr 2 to Yr 6 in rows with children sitting side on to one another. Children in Year 5 and Year 6 will be taught from the front by their teachers and are expected to maintain the 2 metre distancing rule from the adults. In Year 1 and EYFS this is unreasonable—children will still be able to play with their friends and equipment will be rotated so that it can be cleaned each day. The outdoor areas have been timetabled to allow only one Pride at a time to be outside.

Physical Distancing around school—We have introduced a one way system throughout the school—this will stop Prides having to cross over each other.

Physical Distancing in the Playgrounds— We have timetabled it carefully so that only 2 Prides are in each playground at a time. They will be kept separate by the dividing barriers across the playground.

All staff know it is important to maintain the 2 metres distance between adults and this will be strictly adhered to across the school.

2. Hygiene

Cleaning— we have invested in sanitisers and these are positioned across the school. Soap and water is available in all classrooms and toilets. In KS2 children will be given their own disinfectant wipes and will be expected to keep their own tables and equipment clean. In KS1 and EYFS additional cleaners will regularly wipe down equipment, tables, handles. Additional cleaning will also take place in toilets. We have bought a special safe disinfectant that protects surfaces for 24 hours and this will be used on outside equipment. Special bins for tissues are in all classrooms and children will be taught to dispose of tissues correctly.

All children in Yr 2 to 6 will be given their own equipment pack which must remain in school.

Please support us by using the same personal hygiene measures at home.

If you prefer your child not to use the sanitisers in school, please either supply them with their own or ensure they know to use soap and water instead.

Face Coverings in Primary School:

Children are not expected to wear face masks or coverings in Primary Schools. However, if you prefer your child to wear one, that is fine but you must make sure your child knows how to take it on and off and also provide them with a sealable plastic bag to keep it in if they take it off.

Staff will all wear face masks in communal areas, on the stairs and in the corridors. Some staff working with children with complex needs may choose to wear a mask.

Ventilation—latest research shows that increased ventilation helps to reduce the risk of any transmission of the virus. All classroom windows will be open to allow air to flow.

Staggered Start and finish to the School Day: The time table is on page 4—please make sure your child arrives on time. If you have more than one child in school they should all come at the start time of the oldest child, for example, if you have a child in year 5 and year 1, the children should come to school at 8.30am and go home at 3pm.

Uniform: we will continue to be relaxed towards school uniform:

1. children may have grown in lock down and parents have not been able to get new clothes
2. We will be carrying on with daily PE at least until the end of the Spring Term
3. Children should wear trainers.
4. Children should bring coats if they need to—the weather in March can be unpredictable.
5. Due to the need to keep windows open—if the weather is cold please make sure your child has extra layers.

Wraparound Child-Care:

Breakfast Club—from 8am. **Cost £1.50 per day**

Children will enter the Dining Hall through the Car Park Entrance. They must sit on the table allocated to their Pride only.

4.30pm Club—(Monday to Thursday only) **£2.00 per day**

Children may remain in school until 4.30pm to complete home learning, reading, art or independent research. This will be in their Prides.

Playcentre (Monday to Thursday 4.30-6pm) £5.00 per day (£7.00 on Friday) —parents requiring childcare after 4.30pm can use the Play Centre. **All of the above must be pre-booked and pre-paid for. If children are not on the list—they are expected to be collected at the time allocated on the timetable.**

School Dinners (£2.20 per day unless entitled to Universal Free School Meals—Reception to Year 2, or Benefits related Free School Meals)

We will be using the Dining Hall for some Prides and other Prides will eat their lunch in their classroom. This is to prevent the cross over and mixing of Prides. A menu will be sent out next week.

Pride	Times	Entrance
EYFS	9am to 3pm p/t morning children 9am to 12pm. p/t afternoon children 12.15pm to 3.15pm	Car Park Gate
Year 1 Whitechapel	8.45am to 3.15pm	Car Park Gate
Year 1 Dalston Junction and both Year 2 classes	8.45am to 3.15pm	Ormsby Street Entrance
Year 3 Classes	8.45 to 3.15pm	Large Gate in Front Playground
Year 4 Caledonia Road, Year 5 Canada Water Year 6 Surrey Quays	8.30am to 3pm	Ormsby Street Entrance
Year 4 Rotherhithe, Year 5 Camden Road, Year 6 Kentish Town West	8.30am to 3pm	Large Gate in Front Playground.



Checklist for Parents

1. Do you know what day we are returning to school?
2. Do you know what time your child should arrive at school?
3. Do you know what time your child finishes school?
4. Do you need to book Breakfast Club?
5. Do you need to book the 4.30 Club?
6. Do you need to book Play Centre?
7. Do you need to pay for school dinners?
8. Do you know which entrance you should use?

Please let me know if you have any questions?

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Looking forward to seeing you all on Monday 8th March.