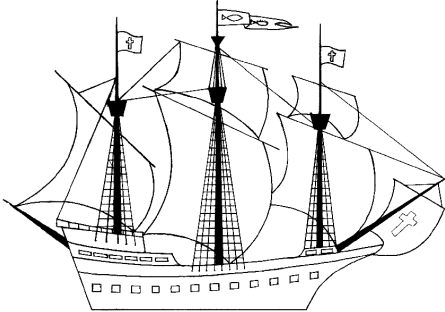

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*'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness & Self Control'
(Galatians 5:22-23)*



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Dear Parent and Carer,

Implementation of Phase 1: Children of Key Workers and Vulnerable Children

I am writing to confirm that your child has been allocated a place in school from Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July. We have provided below the information you need for your child to return to school. Please read this information thoroughly alongside the risk assessment on the [school website](#).

You child should not attend school if they or a household member are displaying coronavirus symptoms. The most common symptoms of coronavirus are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

So that we can be confident that all staff and pupils on the school premises are apyrexial, we will take your child's temperature using a contactless thermometer before they enter the school building. For further information about symptoms and self-isolation, please read [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection](#).

Can my child be tested for coronavirus?

Yes. If your child is under the age of 5, please call NHS 111 who can arrange a test for you. If your child is aged 5 or over, a test can be arranged through the [NHS 111 coronavirus symptoms checker](#).

What happens if my child tests positive for coronavirus?

Please inform the school straight away. Your child must self-isolate at home for 7-days. People in the same household must self-isolate for 14-days.

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord. 'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future.' (Jeremiah 29:11)

The rest of your child's group will be sent home and advised to isolate for 14-days. The other household members of that wider group will not need to self-isolate unless the child they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.

What is the school doing to reduce risk?

The school has implemented a recovery plan and risk assessment which has been developed in consultation with staff, governors and the Local Authority. This plan outlines the measures we will take to minimise risk and will be regularly reviewed. A copy is available on the [school website](#).

We will reduce risk as much as possible, but, as with all public spaces, we cannot guarantee full protection from the virus at this time.

Does my child need to attend school full time?

It is your choice how often your child attends. There are 2 options:

- **Full-time**

if you would like your child to attend full-time (Monday to Friday 8:40-4:00pm), please email schooloffice@dawpool.wirral.sch.uk and we will record your child as attending each day. If your child is attending full-time, you will not receive a weekly email from school to determine your requirements.

- **Part-time**

You will receive an email each week to determine which days your child will attend. Please respond to the email promptly so that we can make the necessary arrangements in school. If your child is attending part-time, they must attend for the full day, we cannot accommodate morning or afternoon sessions only.

What time should my child arrive at school?

Pupils who have been allocated a key worker place should arrive at school anytime between **08:40-09:00**. The start time has been staggered to enable social distancing.

What is the arrivals procedure?

- Pupils should arrive between **08:40 - 09:00**.
- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Only one adult should accompany each child.
- Parents should avoid bringing siblings who are not attending school.
- Children are encouraged to walk or cycle where possible.
- If driving, parents are encouraged to park away from school and walk.
- So that we can be confident that all staff and pupils on the school premises are afebrile, your child's temperature will be taken using a contactless thermometer before entering school. A child will not be permitted to enter the school if their temperature is 37.5 or above. In such circumstances, the parent should take their child home.
- A one-way system for pedestrians will be established on the school premises and monitored by a member of staff. Parents and pupils arrive via the pedestrian path and drop off at the double green gate. Pupils will enter the school through the main entrance and parents leave across the car park.
- The carpark will be closed to vehicles between 08:30-10:00. Vehicular access is strictly prohibited.

- Parents must not enter the school under any circumstances.
- Staff cannot apply sun cream to pupils so this must be applied by parents before the child arrives at school.
- Parents should closely observe the government's social distancing measures when walking on School Lane and surrounding areas.

What should my child wear?

Your child should wear their own clothes which should be freshly laundered each day. Footwear should be suitable for outdoor activities, e.g. trainers. No open-toe sandals.

What does my child need to bring?

- ✓ Lightweight coat or cagoule which they will keep on the back of their chair.
- ✓ A clearly **named** water bottle.
- ✓ A fully disposable packed lunch (if not purchasing lunch from school). No lunchboxes, please.

What should my child leave at home?

- ✗ PE Kit
- ✗ Book bag, school bag, rucksack
- ✗ Personal belongings, e.g. toys, books, 'show and tell'
- ✗ Pencil case and stationery

What will my child do in school?

As far as possible, school staff will support your child to complete home learning tasks. Your child will also undertake cross-curricular projects and activities that promote positive mental health and wellbeing.

Will my child have time outdoors?

To begin with, when only key worker pupils are attending school, your child will have regular access to the school grounds. Once other phases have been implemented, your child's group will be allocated a 30-minute outdoor break in the morning and afternoon. Your child will also have a 30-minute outdoor break over lunchtime, sometimes longer if space allows. During outdoor breaks, your child will only mix with their own group in a designated space.

Who will be in my child's group?

Key worker groups will consist of a maximum of 15 pupils from different year groups. Siblings will be assigned to the same group. Each group will be supervised by two adults. If your child is in a priority year group which resumes to school in a later phase, they will then transfer to their year group.

How should I communicate with the school?

Parents are not permitted to enter the school building. All communication with school should be done by email or telephone.

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In emergency situations, where face to face appointments are the only option, this will be arranged by appointment only so that adequate social distancing arrangements can be made.

What time does my child finish school?

Parents who have been allocated a key worker place in **phase 1** should collect their child from school at **4:00pm** prompt.

What is the collection procedure?

- All children must be collected by an adult.
- Parents should not arrive before **4:00pm**.
- Only one adult should accompany each child.
- Parents should avoid bringing siblings who are not attending school.
- If parents have no choice but to bring other children with them, they must not be allowed to run around on the playground or play on outdoor equipment.
- Children are encouraged to walk or cycle where possible.
- If driving, parents are encouraged to park away from school and walk.
- Similar to the arrivals procedure, a one-way system for pedestrians will be established and monitored by a member of staff. Parents arrive via the pedestrian path and wait on the **main playground**. Parents must observe 2m social distancing whilst waiting.
- Pupils will be dismissed from the conservatory entrance at 4:00pm.
- Parents and pupils should leave the premises across the car park.
- The carpark will be closed to vehicles at the end of the day. Vehicular access is strictly prohibited.
- Parents must not enter the school under any circumstances.
- Parents should closely observe the government's social distancing measures when walking on School Lane and surrounding areas.

Will school be providing Wrap Around Care?

To enable our cleaning staff to undertake a deep clean of the school premises, we are unable to offer school provision before 8:40am and after 4:00pm.

What else can I do to prepare my child for coming to school?

- Talk to your child about the importance of hand hygiene: washing hands regularly for at least 20 seconds using soap and warm water.
- Talk to your child about managing coughs and sneezes using the '[Catch it, bin it, kill it](#)' approach.
- Talk to your child about respecting the personal space of others, keeping their distance and not touching other people outside of their family.
- Read the risk assessment on the [school website](#) so that you are clear about the protective measures we are implementing.

Please contact the school office if you have any further questions. We look forward to welcoming your child back to school.

Yours sincerely,



David Burrows
Headteacher