# Kibworth CE Primary School

# Pupil Reintegration Handbook March 2021

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#### Introduction

This document aims to set out Kibworth's plans to ensure the full reopening of the school and that children are reintegrated back to school as safely as possible using the following Government Guidance:

On 22.02.2021 the government presented its roadmap outlining the steps for easing lockdown restrictions. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/prime-minister-sets-out-roadmap-to-cautiously-ease-lockdown-restrictions

This is supported by the evidence statement on the risks and harms of missing education. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/963639/DfE\_E vidence\_summary\_COVID-19\_-\_children\_\_young\_people\_and\_education\_settings.pdf

#### Scientific Evidence Supporting the Reopening of schools

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/scientific-evidence-supporting-the-government-response-to-coronavirus-covid-19

#### **Details on the Full Reopening of Schools**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-forfull-opening-schools

#### **Guidance for Schools**

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-schools-and-other-educationalsettings

#### **Planning Guide for Early Years and Childcare Settings**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-early-years-and-childcareclosures/coronavirus-covid-19-early-years-and-childcare-closures

#### **Information for Parents and Carers**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providersschools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-aboutearly-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term

#### **Cleaning of non Healthcare settings**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings

#### A Message from Mrs Paterson

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to be writing to you with the arrangements for getting your children back to school. We have certainly missed them.

Although it was not the start to the Spring term we had anticipated, I really felt proud of our whole community and in particular the children, whose efforts learning both at home and in school have been remarkable.

Currently we are eagerly preparing for all the children to come back to school on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. The Government has made it clear that all primary school children must return to full time education. I know that after such a break many parents and children will be anxious about this and I hope that the information in this booklet will help you to see how the school has put into place a detailed Risk Assessment, reviewed our curriculum to ensure it is relevant and worked to ensure that we are able to support all learners as they return to school with a wide variety of different experiences. One of our key tasks when the children return will be to assess their learning and mental wellbeing. We will do this through a range of fun games and tasks. We are sure the children will settle in amazingly quickly and demonstrate real resilience.

Once again we ask for your support to ensure we create a safe environment for our children, families and staff. Coronavirus is still here, and we will continue to mitigate appropriately. This may mean some inconvenience to individuals and systems that are not as any of us would like but we are asking for your support in these key areas to ensure that we have a safe and enjoyable return to school. Please support us to do this. Hopefully, it won't be too long before we can get back to normal.

We have highlighted the changes in this book in red to make it easy for you to spot them. If you are unsure about any of the information, please do email our school office, we will reply to any correspondence before the children return to school.

We care deeply about your child and we will do everything possible to look after them when you leave them at our door. We have very much appreciated your ideas and suggestions in this challenging time. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Paterson



# If your child, or someone in your household, shows any of the symptoms of Coronavirus they MUST NOT come into school.

### The symptoms are:

- A high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- A new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Please see page 14 for actions you need to take.

#### Clothing

#### What should my child wear to school?

All children must wear school uniform:

- Blue sweatshirt or cardigan embroidered with school logo
- White polo shirt or white school shirt
- Dark grey trousers, knee length tailored shorts or skirt or a blue checked dress
- Grey or white socks or grey tights
- Black polishable school shoes (not trainers)
- A suitable coat

Children will need to wear their PE kit all day on their allocated PE days. For indoor PE the children are required to have a pair of named plimsolls which should be stored in school. This is particularly important during wet weather.

#### **PE Days**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 5	Year 1	Foundation	Foundation	Year 4
Year 4	Year 3	Year 3	Year 1	Year 5
		Year 2	Year 2	Year 6
		Year 6		

In order to stop the spread of Coronavirus it is expected that children's clothes will be regularly cleaned.

#### **Keeping Warm and Dry**

We will continue to keep the school building well-ventilated with all doors and windows open. Please make sure your child has a school jumper and outdoor coat in school at all times. You can also send them with a winter kit that can be stored in their locker. This might include an extra jumper or a small blanket. We can only return named clothing to your child, please check the name is still readable after washing.

All children can have a full **labelled water bottle** with them every day as classrooms do not have cups or water fountains available.

#### PPE

#### Should I provide my child with PPE?

We know that this is a very worrying time and you will want to protect your child from the virus, but we are following the government guidance that states: "Wearing a face covering or face mask in primary schools or other education settings is not recommended".

#### We will therefore not be expecting our children to wear face masks in school.

We will be following the government guidance of:

- $\Rightarrow$  regular cleaning of settings
- $\Rightarrow$  minimising contact and mixing
- $\Rightarrow$  frequent hand cleaning and good respiratory hygiene practices
- $\Rightarrow$  keeping the school well ventilated wherever this is possible

We will be making every attempt as a school to encourage children and staff to adhere to social distancing, but we are a primary school and some of our children are still very young. Our classrooms have been set out to distance children as much as possible. We have to accept that, despite rigorous risk assessment, careful planning and consideration, our children will not always distance themselves from each other or the staff.

#### **Reading Books**

Reading is vital! We will make sure that all children have the opportunity to practice their reading at home as often as possible. On return from home reading books will be quarantined. This will work differently in each Key stage and specific guidance will be given when your child first brings home their school reading book. Please try to locate your child's reading diary and reading book for return. Thank you for encouraging your child to read every day, a love of reading is one of the greatest gifts you can give your child.

#### **Class Organisation**

What is a Bubble? Each class will be an independent unit to help stop the spread of Corona virus more widely. These independent units are known as **Bubbles**. Each Bubble will have an assigned Classroom called a Bubble Home.

Each bubble and their class teacher will also be part of a **Super Bubble** which will consist of the three classes in the child's year group, sports staff and lunchtime supervisors. Contact between class groups will be minimised in indoor settings.

#### **Classroom Organisation**

#### What measures will be taken in the classroom?

The site map below indicates where children's classrooms are. We will ensure groups of children use the same designated toilets.

- The classrooms are set up to ensure that as much as possible, the children will maintain social distancing within their designated bubble. They will not mix with children from any other Super Bubble throughout the day. Children will be working in the classroom and outside with movement around the school restricted to key staff.
- Where possible, adults will support the children by maintaining social distance. Social distancing will be taught and expected between children and their classmates.
- Classroom furniture will be laid out so that children all sit at forward facing desks
- Classrooms will be well ventilated.
- Children will sit in the same seat throughout the week.
- Children will be provided with their own pencil case, folder and stationery.
- Children will not be able to bring in any learning materials or equipment from home.
- Classroom-based resources such as books and equipment can be used and shared within a group. These will be cleaned regularly.
- Resources such as sports, art and science equipment will be rotated so they can be unused for a period of 48 hours (72 hours for plastics) between use by different groups

#### **First Aid**

Each classroom has a first aid kit for minor injuries, cuts and grazes. Where possible we will ask children to carry out their own first aid (under supervision) e.g. washing and cleaning graze, applying a plaster.

For more serious injuries, we will follow our normal first aid procedures and we have first aiders on-site at all times. They will wear PPE when administering first aid.

#### Drop-off and Collection Arrangements:

#### What are the drop-off and collection arrangements?

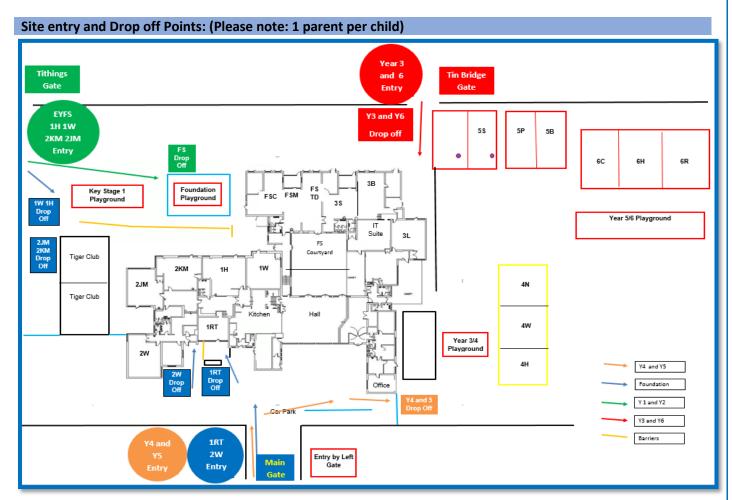
To maintain social distancing and avoid any mixing of groups we are staggering the start and end times of the school day. It is essential that we keep the different groups of children isolated from each other throughout the whole day. This includes drop off and pick up. Access to the school will be through specific gates identified on the maps below.

- All parents/carers are asked to wear a face covering during drop off and collection (including the park for Y3/Y6)
- **Please bring your child to school at their allocated drop off time**, these have been arranged by surname so that family groups can arrive at the same time. Childminders are asked to use their own surname to define which time slot they should use for all children in their care. In order to maintain social distancing, it is essential that your child arrives in their time slot. Please help us by being prompt.
- Only one adult should come to school with their child.
- Where practical we are operating a one-way system. Please keep to your left, use the pavement and maintain a 2m gap when entering or exiting the school via the gates.
- Please allow others to access school safely by not congregating at the entrances.
- EYFS parents will be asked to enter The Tithings gate and walk to the EYFS playground where their child will be collected by a member of staff. EYFS parents are asked to leave the school via the car park gate next to Tiger Club and then up the driveway. Please see the map.
- Year 4 and 5 should be dropped off and collected at the big blue gates next to the office, using the main gate to enter the site
- Year 3 and 6 children should use the Tin Bridge Gate.
- 1RT and 2W have specific drop off points in the car park, please use the main gates. Collection will be from the same points
- 1H, 1W, 2KM and 2JM should be dropped off in the KS1 playground next to the back of the Tiger Club. They should be collected from the car park next to the front of the Tiger Club. You can use the Main Gate or the Tithings Gate to enter school.
- Households should avoid meeting up on the way to or from school and parents should only walk their child to school. Mixing of groups will compromise the bubbles we are creating in school.
- Staff will be at the gate to welcome children. Please do not stop or gather with others.
- Upon arrival and departure, children will be asked to wash their hands or use a hand sanitiser. Additional external sinks have been installed.

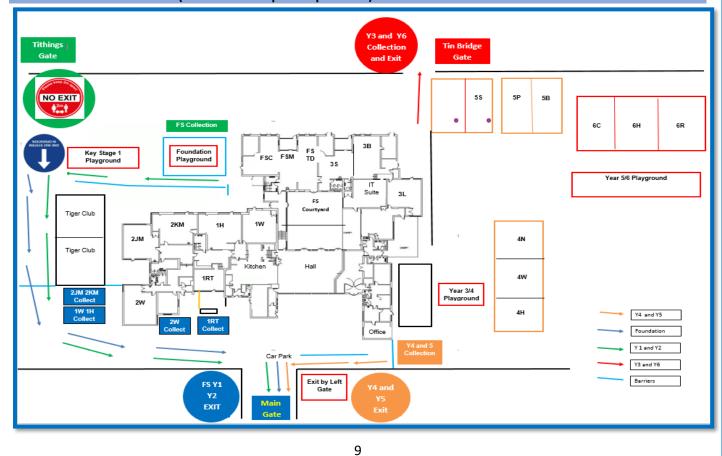
Start Time		Finish Time	
8:40 Surname A-D	Arrive with one adult	3:00 Surname A-D	Collection by 1 adult only.
8:45 Surname E-K	only. Wait 1m apart if	3:05 Surname E -K	Children brought to exit gate.
8:50 Surname L-R	necessary, to enter.	3:10 Surname L-R	Parents to socially distance
8:55 Surname S-Z		3:15 Surname S-Z	at pick up points

For some children, separation from their parent at the school gate may be difficult. Sadly, if this is the case, we cannot invite you into the building, but we will contact you later in the morning to let you know that your child has settled.

The site maps below indicate where the children should be dropped off and collected. There will be signs and markings on the floor to enable social distancing during this time.



Collection and Exit Points: (Please note: 1 parent per child)



#### **Movement Around School**

In accordance with the government guidance "where children can be kept in small groups 2 metres away from each other, they should do so." However, it is also recognised that "brief, transitory contact, such as passing in a corridor, is low risk." To enable our children to safely move around school, we are implementing the following:

- All non-essential movement around the school will be avoided.
- Staff will wear face coverings whilst moving around the school
- All classes will use external doors where available
- Some areas of the school will be marked with the appropriate signage.
- Where possible, children will be supervised in corridors and the main areas of the school to manage the number of children in these spaces.
- Where possible (in accordance with fire regulations), doors will be propped open to reduce contact with door handles.
- A fire drill will be conducted when all children are back in school.

#### What will my child be doing in school?

- During the first few days the children will complete a variety of activities to help them settle back into 'school life'. We will also be assessing all children so that we can plan effective learning for each child as soon as possible.
- We are very conscious that the children have missed significant teaching time and that everybody has had different experiences. We will have a focus on mental health and well-being to begin with.
- We have modified our curriculum substantially since the start of the academic year and will revaluate the needs for all pupils for summer term 2021.
- We will be consolidating in their knowledge and skills and identifying any gaps in learning to use this to inform changes to our curriculum.
- We will make effective use of formative assessment
- We may suspend some subjects for some pupils in exceptional circumstances, so long as it is in their best interests. If this is the case we will inform parents.

When children first return to school we will prioritise;

- For children in reception we will focus on the prime areas of learning, including communication and language; personal, social and emotional development (PSED); and physical development
- We will assess and address gaps in language, early reading and maths, particularly ensuring children's acquisition of phonic knowledge and extending their vocabulary
- For pupils in KS1 and KS2 we will continue to identifying gaps and re-establish good progress in the 'essentials' (phonics and reading, increasing vocabulary, writing and maths)
- We will identify opportunities across the curriculum so they read widely developing their knowledge and vocabulary
- We will keep the curriculum broad, so that the majority of pupils are taught a full range of subjects over the year (e.g. sciences, humanities, the arts, PE, RE).

The Department for Education has confirmed that statutory primary assessments will not take place in summer 2021. Although, there may be a trial of the Year 4 multiplication check. This decision will not affect our planning for the children

- We will be teaching our school curriculum as soon as possible. The children will be given feedback and guidance on their work
- Home learning will be set to link in with class learning

#### Wellbeing

Whilst the wellbeing of our children, staff and families is always hugely important to us, ensuring that we are proactively addressing this is now more crucial than ever. Whilst many of children may be feeling very positive about returning to school, this might not be the case for all. The children have spent a lengthy period of time at home with their family and some may feel very reluctant about coming back to school. Equally, they will be returning to a school which, in order to adhere to safety guidance, will look different. We want to assure you, that whilst the environment might look a little different, Kibworth will remain a warm and inviting place for children. Our



curriculum will provide opportunities for discussions and activities centred around PSHE themes such as friendship, managing anxiety, building resilience and transition. All of these topics will be delivered in a sensitive and age-appropriate way.

- To compliment this, EPIC Psychology and Wellbeing Services have developed a programme, 'Bounce Back to School' to support the staff, children and families with their transition back to school. The aim of the programme is to promote a secure base for all and it offers a range of parallel activities for both schools and families to explore. Further details for parents will be available on the school website over the coming weeks. Some further information can be found <u>HERE</u>
- Positive and trusting relationships, not only between staff and children, but also between staff and parents will be crucial during this transition phase, especially for those who are feeling a heightened sense of anxiety at this time. As always, we encourage you to get in touch with us if you have any concerns at all.
- We will hold whole school virtual assemblies on Mondays and Fridays.
- Please visit our website for additional wellbeing support. We have signposted lots of excellent resources.



#### Break Times and Lunchtimes

Break and lunch times will be staggered and children will play in their Super Bubbles within a zoned area of the school grounds. We are very lucky to have a lot of outdoor space to allow the children to have plenty of room to play, have fun and relax.

- Children will all wash their hands before and after break and lunch.
- The EYFS and Key Stage 1 school fruit programme will continue. This means that all EYFS and Key Stage One children will be provided with free fruit and should not bring any other snacks into school. Key Stage 2 children are welcome to bring in a healthy snack. Suggestions include fresh or dried fruit, vegetable sticks, rice cakes or crackers.
- Children will eat in their groups either in their classrooms, covered outdoor areas or the dining hall. All tables will be cleaned with disinfectant before and after lunch.
- If the weather is nice enough to eat outdoors, children will have a picnic style lunch on the school field.
- Lunches will return to a 3 week menu and children will be able to choose from 3 options every day. The menu is printed below and week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March will be **Week 2.**
- In order to minimize risk of contamination we strongly encourage all children to order a school lunch. All children who are in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 should take advantage of the universal free school meals they are eligible to have.
  Please contact the school office if this is not possible for your child. For children in KS2 the cost of a school dinner is £2.30.

Week	dy Lunch Menu					
	<u> </u>	V	Veek 1 - 22.3.21			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
RED	Margherita Pizza	Lamb Kofta	Roast Turkey with stuffing	Beef Mac and Cheese	Battered Fish	
GREEN	Roasted Pepper and Tomato Pizza	Jacket Potato with Vegetarian bolognaise	Lentil and sweet potato curry	Potato and courgette bake	Quorn Dippers	
with	Potatoes in skins Crudité	Half Jacket potato Crudité	Creamed potato Carrots	Parsley Potatoes Crudité	Chips Peas	
YELLOW	Jacket Potato with tuna and sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with chicken mayo	Jacket Potato with cheese	Jacket Potato with Vegetarian bolognaise	Jacket Potato with baked beans and coleslaw	
	Apple Cake	Toffee Crispy Cake	Chocolate Shortbread	Iced Bun	Vanilla ice cream	
		i i	Week 2 - 8.3.21			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
RED	Pork Sausages	Quorn Stir Fry	Roast loin of pork	Chicken and Sweetcorn Pizza	Fish Fingers	
GREEN	Vegetarian Sausages	Cheese Flan	Sweet chilli pasta	Garlic mushroom pizza	Vegetarian fingers	
with	Mashed potato Carrots	Parsley Potatoes Sweetcorn	Potatoes in skins Green beans	Jacket wedges Crudité	Chips Peas	
YELLOW	Jacket Potato with baked beans	Jacket Potato with cheese	Jacket Potato with chicken and sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with cheese	Jacket Potato with tuna mayo	
	Banana Flapjack	Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie	Oaty Cookie	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Vanilla ice cream	
Week 3 - 15.3.21						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
RED	Meatballs in tomato sauce	Roast Chicken with stuffing	Tuna Pizza	Jerk Chicken with fruity salsa	Pork Sausages	
GREEN	Macaroni Cheese	Spinach and Chickpea Masala	Margherita Pizza	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Spicy Beanburger	
with	Pasta shapes Carrots	Potato and carrot mash Peas	Half Jacket potato Crudité	Jacket wedges Sweetcorn	Chips Peas	
YELLOW	Jacket Potato with pork meatballs	Jacket Potato tuna and sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with baked beans	Jacket Potato with Chicken Curry	Jacket Potato with cheese and coleslaw	
	Apple Cake	Cherry Shortbread	Chocolate Cornflake Cakes	Banana Cake	Chocolate ice cream	

#### Contacting the School

#### How do I contact the school?

#### Unfortunately, we will not be able to receive visitors without appointments.

- Please do not come to the office at all unless you have a pre booked appointment.
- Office staff will be in school and available to answer any questions by telephone or email
- If your child forgets something, we will do our best to help them until the next day
- Parents should return any forms or documentation via Parentmail or e-mail to the school office.
- We may arrange online meetings where appropriate.





#### Corona Virus FAQs

#### Will adults wear PPE?

All adults in school will wear face masks when moving between bubbles and around the school except when running PE sessions when this is not recommended.

#### Will you be encouraging social distancing on site?

Yes – children will be taught about social distancing and this will be reinforced throughout the day. We will limit the number of visitors to the site by not having reception open and allowing a maximum of 1 adult per child into the site.

We will also be initiating a one way system around the school site.

#### Will you observe social distancing in classrooms?

Government Guidance on 2m social distancing is relaxed for classrooms and the school aims to offer the maximum possible distance between children whilst in the classroom. Classrooms will be organised so that children all sit forward facing (except EYFS)

#### Will you take children's temperatures?

No – Government guidance is clear and states this is unnecessary as it is not a reliable indicator of COVID 19.

#### What are the main symptoms of Corona virus?

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

#### What should I do if my child or other family member is displaying symptoms of Covid 19?

DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL - Inform the school via email or telephone of their reason for absence

Book a test for all family members and self-isolate until results are returned

Please inform the School Office of the test results as soon as you receive them

#### What will happen if a child is displaying symptoms at school?

The child will be removed from the Bubble and put into isolation – parents will be called and the child collected. Parents should collect their child from school as quickly as possible (within 45mins). A test should then be booked and the results reported to the school. The child and their family should self-isolate until the results are returned. It is now possible to have their child tested for COVID-19 - if proved negative they may return to school if well enough.

#### What if a child in a Bubble has a positive test?

Where a child or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus, we will consult with PHE to decide the best course of action. This may mean the rest of their bubble or super bubble being advised to self-isolate. The Local health protection team will be contacted to carry out a rapid risk assessment. They will ensure that any pupils or staff who had close contact with the person when they were infectious are asked to self-isolate for 10 days since they were last in close contact. Classrooms, offices and other rooms used by the member of staff or pupil with a confirmed case of Covid-19, are closed off for enhanced cleaning.

#### School FAQ's

Some questions we have been asked:

#### What cleaning is being carried out?

The school has been deep cleaned over the last few weeks and many rooms have been unused. We will be cleaning tables, door handles, toilets, light switches and taps regularly throughout the day. The school will be following additional government guidance on cleaning

#### Will resources be cleaned?

All resources used by the children will be cleaned before and after use. Children will have their own pencil case with their own personal equipment.

#### Do I have to send my child to school?

School attendance will be mandatory from March 8<sup>th</sup> and the usual rules on attendance will apply. This includes our responsibility to record attendance and follow up on absence.

#### What do I do if I want to talk to someone in school?

Please do not come into the school without an appointment. If you would like to speak to Mrs Paterson or a member of staff please either phone or email the school office. Wherever possible, we will hold meetings remotely. If this is not possible, we may invite you in but this will need to be under social distancing rules.

#### Will there be any before and after school care provision?

#### Will Extra Curricular Clubs be running?

Sadly, due to the complexities of mixing groups and social distancing we are unable to offer any extra curricular clubs. This will be reviewed as guidance changes and we will inform parents as soon as we are able to offer this provision.