



16<sup>th</sup> July 2020

WPS Update

Good afternoon everyone.

We are very pleased to be able to share the plans for the start of the Autumn term at Werrington Primary School and our anticipated full opening of School in September.

It is worth noting that we have experienced Government guidance being reviewed and sometimes with very little notice. Therefore everything we have planned is of course subject to changes that are made and imposed on us between the time of writing this up to the 7<sup>th</sup> September. This could be in response to Government COVID-19 additional guidance or due to a local lockdown or more significantly National measures to contain a further outbreak of the virus.

We fully appreciate that for some of you the thought of returning your child/children to school will be daunting, particularly when they have not been able to come in since the School Closure announcement. Our staff fully appreciate this and their preparations are taking account of this. A Return to School booklet has been produced for the children and we hope this will also be helpful for Parents and Carers in discussing how everything will work in September. It is very pictorial and cannot be sent by email, we have therefore made it available on the School website.

The link is here:

<https://www.werrington.peterborough.sch.uk/page/?title=Newsletters&pid=35&action=saved>

School has applied all of the learning from the Phased Re-opening w/c June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 Risk Assessment and subsequent reviews which have taken place during this time. The Phased Return was very successful and this was largely due to everyone understanding expectations and then carefully and sensibly following the COVID-19 Safe School guidelines provided by School.

We have identified the key elements for you below.

1. Attendance for all year groups will be statutory - the Government guidance states this.
2. All year groups will return on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
3. Year Group Bubbles will operate from September 7<sup>th</sup> enabling the full opening of School – in line with Government guidance.
4. Our new Reception/EYFS classes will return in a staggered approach and this has been communicated separately. If you are a Parent/Carer with a child starting Reception/ EYFS and remain unsure of the arrangements, please do not hesitate to make contact with the School Office [office@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk](mailto:office@werrington.peterborough.sch.uk) .
5. The start and end of the School day has been staggered to enable all year groups to attend – in line with Government guidance. We have been required to change the School day however the teaching time has not been reduced. These measures are temporary and fully necessary during the COVID-19 pandemic. Lunch and Break times will also be staggered enabling the Bubble use of playgrounds and field.

The Year Group timings are provided below:

#### School Start time

Staggered (10 minutes) per Year Bubble Groups.

Pedestrian Gate access LHS in/RHS out.

0840-0850 Y2 to KS1 Playground, Y5+6 to KS2 Playground.

0850-0900 Y1 to KS1 Playground, Y3+4 to KS2 Playground.

Rear car park footpath entrance.

0900-0910 EFYS

#### School Finish time

1500-1510 EYFS (Rear carpark footpath entrance) Y1 KS1 Playground (Y1 Teachers to keep siblings with an EYFS to enable parents/carers transition to KS1 Playground)  
1510-1520 Y2 KS1 Playground, Y3+4 Classroom Fire Exits onto KS2 Playground  
1520-1530 Y5+6 Classroom Fire Exits and walk to KS2 Playground and pedestrian exit independently with Parent/Carer – School permission, or collected directly from the KS2 playground.

We hope that any adjustments you may need to consider, can be planned for with the intervening Summer break space. This has been shared with School's Out for those who are looking at Wrap Around childcare.

6. After school clubs will not operate for the first half term. This will be under review given the further planning which is required to ensure Year group Bubbles do not mix. Further information will be made available once Mrs Simmons has evaluated the wider operation of the Risk Assessment and Bubbles.
7. Arrangements for Peripatetic Music teaching is being finalised to enable this to commence again. The Year Bubbles must remain in place.
8. Access to the School office – we kindly ask if contact can be directed via phone or email as much as is practically possible. The Office Staff will be available via the main hatch, however this will remain closed and provide a screen for the staff. In an emergency please do feel able to come to the School office – social distancing will apply. We will be very pleased to arrange a call back or follow up from the relevant member of staff. Face to face meetings will need COVID-19 safe considerations however again this can be planned for.
9. In the event of a suspected case of Corona Virus within a Year Bubble ie symptoms displayed by a pupil or Staff member (with the appropriate GDPR permissions for anonymity), the Bubble will be informed to follow the COVID-19 guidelines.
10. In the event of a confirmed case HPE - Health Protection England through Test and Trace will contact the School via information provided by Parents/Carers. Letters will be issued by HPE for School to issue. COVID-19 guidance will be followed.
11. A School packed lunch will be provided for children in receipt of a Free School Meal or for children whose parents/carers in KS1 – Reception, Y1 and Y2 who take a Universal Infant Free School Meal. The Edenred Voucher system will finish when the new term commences. All other children and all of KS2 – Y3,Y4,Y5 and Y6 should bring in a packed lunch from home. The wider opening of the School kitchen will be under constant review and any changes regarding this will be communicated to you.
12. Uniform – the Return to School Guidance covers this but it will be a return to School Uniform except on a PE day where PE clothing including House colours should be worn to school. This removes the need for additional bags coming into school and cloakroom use.
13. Frequent hand washing and use of sanitisers is an essential part of COVID-19 safety and precaution.
14. Direction arrows and other signposting should be followed to keep everyone safe.

The School will continue to use the ParentPay email as the main method of communication and the WPS website [www.werringtonprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.werringtonprimaryschool.co.uk) - Newsletters section will document this too.

We hope the information above will help you prepare for the new academic year at WPS and the arrangements that are in place for everyone's safety. The planning and preparation led by the School's Risk Assessment and Government guidance will we hope provide the necessary clarity and confidence for you.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Keep safe and well.

Yours sincerely,

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