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Return to Full School Opening 8th March

Dear Eastway Families,

As you will have heard from the Prime Minister's announcement and the government's Roadmap out of lockdown, school will fully reopen to all pupils on Monday 8th March. We will then have three weeks in school together until the Easter holidays. Attendance is not optional and all children should return to school at this time, in full uniform. We are well planned, prepared and excited to see all of the children back in school, as I am sure you are too.

Keeping you all safe

We will continue with all of our safety and protective measures in school.

- All children will be taught in class bubbles, these bubble will not mix at anytime
- Children will be taught in small groups to ensure strict social distancing, minimise contact and to deliver bespoke teaching and learning opportunities
- All children will have their own learning resource packs to avoid sharing equipment
- Rigorous hand washing, strict infection control measures and enhanced daily cleaning
- Strict rules around illness and pupils attending school when unwell or isolating
- Twice weekly testing for all staff
- Wearing of face coverings for all adults in and around school, unless directly teaching from a two metre distance
- No items to be brought in from home or out of school
- Additional time spent outside and in well ventilated rooms
- Separate entrance and exit areas, allocated staff, toilets, playtimes and cloakrooms
- Only one parent/carer to pick up/ drop off
- Masks must be worn by adults and minimum two metre distance when waiting at gates
- We still remain in a National Lockdown so please adhere to the rules. Families should not be mixing at this time; we work hard to keep everyone in our school safe, please do the same.

Early Risers Toast Club and Swashbucklers After School (SAS) Club

We will fully reopen our wraparound care from Monday 12th April. To book a place, please contact the school office. Places can only be pre-booked and pre-paid for; no one will be allowed to join on the day so we can plan for numbers. Due to the current safety measures and restrictions in place, we are sadly unable to offer extended school days for the three weeks before the Easter Holidays.

Curriculum

There may be some changes to how and what your children are taught during the three weeks before Easter. There will be a focus on social opportunities and ensuring that children's wellbeing is a priority. Some children may be anxious about returning again so staff will do all that they can to reassure them and provide coping strategies for all children. We will be spending more time outside focusing on physical fitness and ensuring safe social distancing and good ventailation. We will be running lots of 'catch up' programmes and interventions to ensure that your children Catch Up Funding. We will also focus on teaching extra lessons of the subjects that couldn't be taught remotely such as design technology and practical science and art sessions. We also have Book Week and Science week to look forward to.

Changes







The majority of our younger children have been attending school at this time but we know that the ones who haven't may find it difficult to return to school after a long period at to home. For this reason, our Reception children will pick up and drop off directly to the classroom door. Entrance will be via the kitchen staff car park. Please do not park, pull into or outside of the staff car park, families will be using it as a pedestrian entrance for some of our youngest children and we need to be extra cautious to keep safe. Mr Hodgson our caretaker will monitor cars and parking on Oundle Road each day.

Key Changes:

- YR to pick up and drop off at classroom door via the kitchen staff car park
- School meals will be delivered to classrooms
- Free School Meal supermarket vouchers will stop
- All school devices must be returned
- Some children may be taught in a different classroom or with a different teacher

Change to INSET Days

To ensure that our children have consistent daily attendance in school for the summer term and make the most of their learning, we have made changes to the last two INSET days that we have planned. Please see the updated term dates. We have extended the May half term until Wednesday 9th June. This will provide a good length circuit breaker and give your children a longer rest after they return to the routine of school.

Easter Holiday Club & Support

We will be running a four-day holiday club during the Easter holidays with lots of fun activities planned and also be providing craft packs and food parcels to families too with the support of Neo Community. We when have plans finalised, I will share these and give information about how to sign up.

We finish for the Easter holidays on Friday 26th March and reopen on Monday 12th April. As we will need to be prepared for full reopening on Monday 8th March, we are closing some of our classrooms to deep clean and move furniture. School will be closed to the majority of pupils on Friday 5th March. If you desperately need childcare or an emergency place for your child on the Friday, this will be in the Family Centre and only for confirmed places. Please email homelearning@eastway.wirral.sch.uk if you need your child in school that day.

We understand that you may be feeling anxious about the return to school and your child may have some questions or concerns. If you want to discuss how we can best support you, please get in touch. I just want to reassure you again that our safety measures and restrictions have proven to be very successful in control the virus in our school and something that we are incredibly proud of. We have only had one isolated incident in school since the start of the pandemic.

May I take this opportunity to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for your ongoing support, kind words and commitment to Remote Learning during these very challenging times. The staff have worked tirelessly to ensure that you have all you need and that your children are happy and continuing learning from home, I would like to also take the opportunity to thank them too. I really am proud to lead such a wonderful school with such amazing staff, children and families.

Many thanks,

Mrs Morris



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School Closed/ Holidays



First and Last Day of School



Bank Holiday

Staff Development Day (school closed for pupils)

School Development Days (INSET) School is closed for ALL pupils on these days

Friday 23rd October 2020 Friday 18th December 2020 Monday 4th January 2021 Monday 7th June 2021 Tuesday 8th June 2021

Thursday 6th May 2021 (School used as a Polling Station- school closed for Early Years pupils)