



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

COVID-19 Safety measures at EMS - information for parents

We are reopening the school for Reception, Yr 1, Yr6 and Key Worker parents in phases.

Phase 1 - parents will have received a text message to confirm a start date.

Phase 2 –to enable us to control the bubbles and limit the number of pupils returning all at the same time, we are in the process of confirming numbers for phase 2 and a start date will be confirmed. **If you have NOT** already informed the school by email that you wish to send your child back for phase 2, please email the school with your child's Name, Yr group, Yes / No to return or if you are a key worker (evidence of role as key worker required) **Deadline for phase 2 will be Wednesday 11th June 12.00pm**

Please see below how the school day has been prepared for pupils to return.

Allocate drop-off and pick up protocols to minimise adult to adult contact

Drop off- Morning

- Drop off will have staggered timings. Children will be dropped off at the front gate, have their temperature checked, hands washed and go to their allocated classroom. There will be a clear one-way pedestrian system to be followed.
- Year 6 will come into the building through the main gate at 8.40am (Bubble 3 and 4)
- Year 1 will come into the building through the main gate at 9.00am (Bubble 2)
- Reception will come in through the nursery gate at 9.00am (Bubble 1)
- Key worker pupils will come in the main gate at Building 2 at 9.00am (Bubble5)

Pick Up - Afternoon

- There will be staggered collection timings.
 - ❖ Yr 6 – Bubble 3 – 3.00pm – Bubble 4 – 3.15pm car park entrance/exit- adult supervising
 - ❖ Y1 – Bubble 2 – 3.00pm – main gate
 - ❖ Reception – Bubble 1 – 2.45pm – Nursery gate
 - ❖ Key Workers – Bubble 5 – 3.00pm Building 2 gate near the church
- One parent allowed per child to collect. They will line up 2 metres apart from the main entrance. Their child will be brought to them. As they leave the next adult will enter to collect their child.
- In the case of year 6 and with parental consent, children can walk to from school themselves, leaving by the school car park exit, supervised by an adult.

Social / Physical Distancing

- Children will need to physically distance themselves where possible and routines will be established to help the children to do this.
- Procedures are put in place to minimise contact and mixing with other bubbles.
- Signage will be evident in the buildings with teachers informing children of the new procedures.

Classes

- Classes (Bubbles) will be no bigger than 15 pupils with one Teacher and a TA.
- Children will be provided with their own stationery each day and all learning resources. **No school bags to be brought into school.**
- Pupils will be in the same small bubble at all times each day.
- The bubbles will use the same classroom or area throughout the day, with an enhanced cleaning of the rooms at the end of the day.
- There will be staggered play times and lunch times

- Where possible, classrooms will be well ventilated using natural ventilation (opening windows) or ventilation units
- Where possible, doors will be propped open, (bearing in mind fire safety and safeguarding), to limit use of door handles and aid ventilation
- Pupils are asked to bring in a water bottle on their first day and this will be kept in school during the week.
- **Water bottles to be brought in first day back and kept in school**

Hygiene

- Children encouraged to wash hands before the day starts and at the end of the day, before and after lunch times as well as after each lesson.
- Hand sanitiser in every classroom and toilets.
- Children encouraged to use a tissue or elbow to cough or sneeze and lidded bins will be used for tissue waste ('catch it, bin it, kill it')

Cleaning

- The classroom and facilities will be thoroughly cleaned daily.
- Deep cleans will be conducted every Friday afternoon.
- All equipment disinfected / washed in Milton at the end of the day

Welfare

- Any person who shows symptoms will be sent home and will need to be tested. If it is positive the rest of their bubble will be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days.
- There will be no whole school gatherings, assemblies or school masses.
- The school will require 3 contact phone numbers in case we need to contact you in an emergency
- If your child develops any symptoms of the virus- cough, temperature, please keep them off school and inform us as soon as possible.

A detailed risk assessment is available on the school website under News and Event / COVID -19

Please Note: Parents are not permitted entrance to the school office, unless by appointment - appointments can be requested by phone to the school main number or office email address

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