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September Opening Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school on Wednesday 2nd September as planned.

We have undertaken thorough risk assessments throughout the summer to ensure we can operate full classes of pupils as safely as possible. We will continue with our rigorous cleaning routines, handwashing and maintain social distancing wherever possible.

To comply with Government guidance and to keep our community as safe as possible we are required to stagger the start and end of the day so that we do not have too many adults accessing the site at the same time. As published in July, the start times for year groups will be as follows:

Drop off, collection and playground access

	Start of the day	Morning session	Break time 15mins	Lunchtime 50mins	Afternoon session	Collection
FS2	9am <i>(via grey gate and in through F2 doors)</i>	Class worship / praise Maths English / Phonics	10.15am <i>Front</i>	11.30 – 12.20pm <i>F2 area</i>	Creative Curriculum, wellbeing and focus on catch up	3pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 1	8.50am <i>(via grey gate and in through Y1 doors)</i>		10.30am <i>Front</i>	11.30 – 12.20 <i>Front</i>		3.05pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 2	8.50am <i>(via front green gate and through Y2 corridor)</i>		10.30am <i>Back</i>	11.30 – 12.20 <i>Back</i>		3.10pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 3	9am <i>(via key pad gate and in through hall doors)</i>		10.45am <i>Front</i>	12pm -12.50pm <i>Front</i>		3.15pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 4	9am <i>(via front green gate and in through annex)</i>		11am <i>Front</i>	11.45pm – 12.35pm <i>Front of annex</i>		3.20pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 5	8.45am <i>(via grey gate and in through Y5 doors)</i>		10.45am <i>Back</i>	12.05pm – 12.45pm <i>Back</i>		3.25pm <i>(front astro)</i>
Year 6	8.45am <i>(via front green gate and in through new Y6 doors)</i>		11am <i>Back</i>	12.30pm -1.20pm <i>Front</i>		3.30pm <i>(front astro)</i>

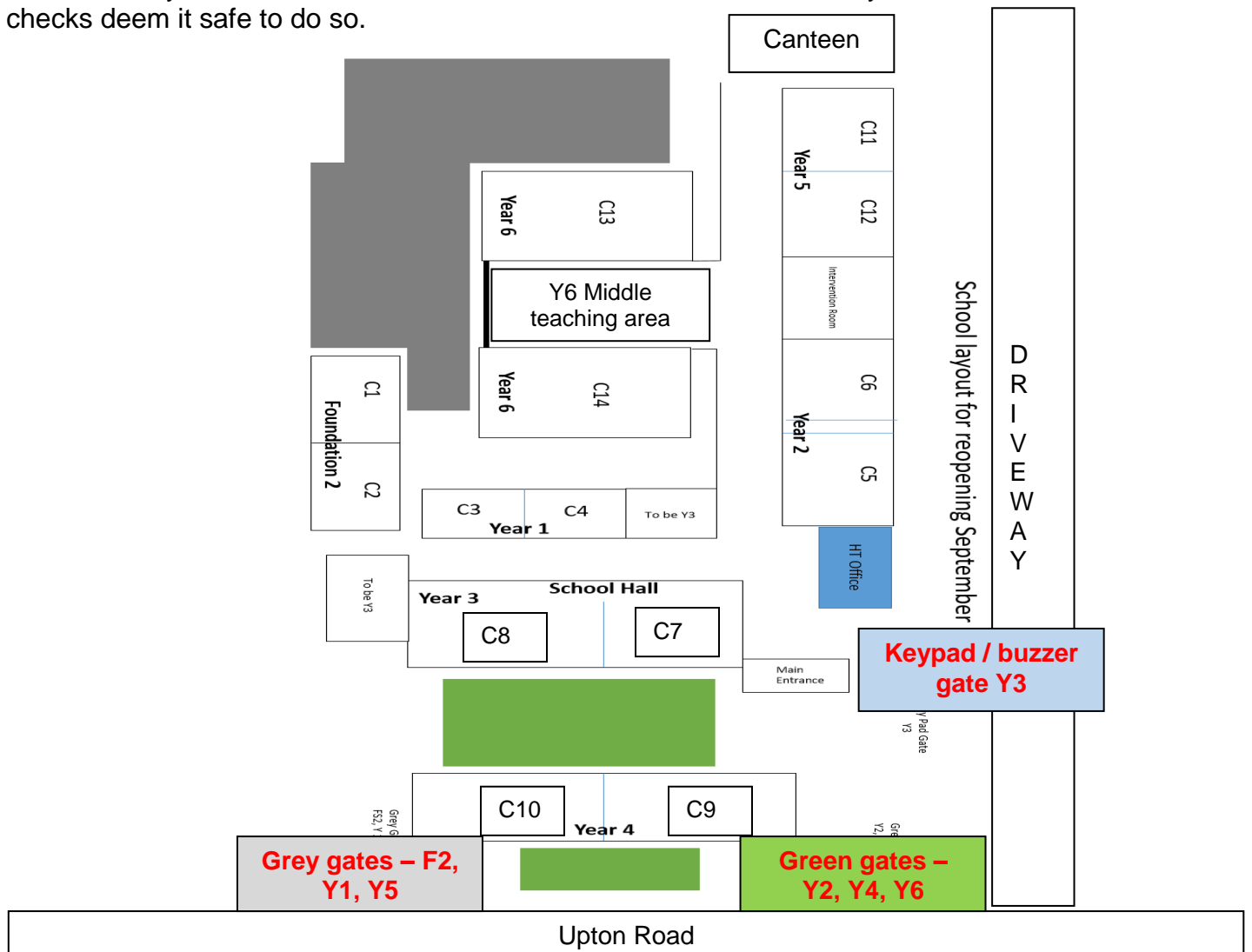
Please make sure you drop off and collect your child at the correct time so we can adhere to the guidance for schools. If you have more than one child, please arrive with all of your children at 8.45am and collect all children at 3.15pm so you do not have to wait.

We have allocated different gates to drop children off; all of which have social distancing markers and one-way routes. Please follow these and remember that there are several members of our parent and family community who may have health conditions which make them particularly vulnerable to coronavirus so we must all follow the protective measures to keep them safe.

- F2, Y1 and Y5 will access school via the front grey gate at their specified times.
- Y2, Y4 and Y6 will access school via the front green gate at their specified times.
- Y3 will walk up the driveway and access school via the keypad / buzzer gate at their time.

There will be a member of staff present on each gate every day to help families and the class teachers will wait on the playground to greet the children and help them to settle.

Just to remind your children, we have moved some classes around this year. The map below will help them to familiarise themselves with the building and the class numbers are labelled. Don't forget, Y6 will now be in the main building, Y4 in the Annex building and Y3 are temporarily starting the term in the hall – they will move into their classrooms once our Health & Safety checks deem it safe to do so.



When you arrive to collect your child at their specified times, adults will access the ground via the green gate off Upton Road. Families will wait on the astro and teachers will dismiss children individually so they can leave the site with their parent or carer via the grey gate onto Upton Road. If Y6 pupils are intending to walk home themselves, please make sure parents email the school office to inform us otherwise they will not be released until an adult arrives to collect them.

We still cannot allow access to the school site, but we do want to make sure we maintain the good communication we have with our families so each year group will continue to use their email address for class based queries and all organisational enquiries should be addressed to the school office email or telephone contact at the top of this letter. Please remember that teachers will be with pupils all day so they will not be able to provide immediate responses!

Our extra - curricular activities will not begin until after the October half term and we are unable to offer toast club just yet, but we will be opening CC4C childcare from 7.30am to 6pm every day. We cannot put all children together for our childcare as they need to maintain the year group bubbles for social distancing. We will therefore have 3 areas for CC4C and the club staff will send confirmation of which room your child will be in for drop off and collection before term starts. We have asked parents to book places in advance as we are limited in the numbers we can cater for. We have also made many phone calls to parents who have used the club before to ascertain how many places will be needed; if you have not yet completed a form or had a phone call with us **please email the school office urgently with details of your booking so you don't miss out on your child's place.**

Teachers have been setting up their classrooms to welcome children back to school; we are still maintaining clutter free rooms with reduced furnishings so that we can keep cleaning effective. We ask that children **only** bring a book bag, water bottle and coat to school as we will not be able to use cloakroom areas.

The catering team will be offering packed lunches and takeaway noodles, pasta pots and other yummy warm dishes. The new menus will be on the website before term starts so you can see the selection. These menus are just planned for the first half term and we will aim to increase the offer after our health and safety check. Children in F2, Y1, Y2 & Y3 will eat lunch in their classrooms after tables have been disinfected and children in Y4, Y5 & Y6 will use the canteen in separate services. Children will only access playgrounds with their year groups so lunches will be more staggered than previously to accommodate this. If you would like to send a packed lunch for your child, they may now bring a lunch box or bag with them to school.

We will begin the year by assessing every child's learning in reading, writing, spelling, grammar, mathematical operations and reasoning as well as reviewing their emotions and wellbeing. Once this information is collated we will set individual targets and plan how we will catch up on any lost learning, provide support and accelerate pupil progress with teachers. During our first parent teacher meeting in October we will share this information with you so you know what we are doing to help your child achieve.

Our initial focus will be on settling the children and re-establishing school routines and friendships; they may be very tired by full and busy school days and it may take a little while to readjust to academic expectations, so for the first few weeks we will be making our assessments and focusing on their wellbeing with lots of opportunities for being outdoors, being active and also being creative. Children will participate in PE regularly and on their allocated PE days they will come to school in PE kit so they don't need to change. On all other days they should wear their school uniform please. There is a letter attached providing families with the days their child will be participating in PE and need to wear their PE kit to school.

I hope this provides you with the information you need to help with the start of the school year. We have a great team of staff who are all looking forward to working with your children and it will be so positive to get them back into a routine. We know some may find this difficult and there may be some anxieties, so we are ready to help and support in any way we can.

If you have any further questions or worries, please email the school office and your message will be directed to the relevant member of staff to reply.

Enjoy your last week of the summer holidays and we will see children from Years 1 to 6 on Wednesday 2nd September. We will then welcome our new F2 pupils from Monday 7th September as they begin their part time transition into big school!

With our very best wishes for a great start to September,

A. Donelan

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Headteacher

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September 2020

Re: PE lessons from September (Infants)

Dear Parents and Carers,

From September, especially for the first half term, PE lessons will be held outside so that children can be in the fresh air and minimise any possible transmission or close contact when they exert themselves. If the weather is particularly inclement then, of course, we will move lessons inside, ensuring that we maintain social distancing, where appropriate.

On the days where children have PE, they will be able to come into school in their PE kit and will be allowed to wear trainers all day. With this in mind, children will be able to wear a plain, black or grey sweatshirt or hoodie with either plain black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms. Children are also asked to wear their house t-shirts underneath sweatshirts: Everest yellow t-shirt, Mont Blanc blue t-shirt, Snowdon green t-shirt, Kilimanjaro red t-shirt.

These can be purchased from 'Design and Stitch Workwear' Unit 6, South Tarran Way, CH46 4TP, Moreton. Please ensure that children also have a suitable waterproof jacket, in the event of it being cold or drizzly as they will access outdoors as much as possible as part of our 'Rainbow of Recovery' programme.

For the first half term, children will be taking part in PE lessons on the following days:

F52	Friday
Y1	Thursday
Y2	Monday

Children who are not wearing the correct kit will not be allowed to take part in PE due to health and safety regulations. We want to encourage children to be physically active after such a long time when they have been at home and not able to access parks or sports clubs, so they will also receive a positive point on the class charts system for wearing their PE kit and participating.

Absence from PE

We feel that exercise and PE are a very important part of life and the curriculum, therefore children are expected to take part in every PE lesson. If there is a health-related reason that prevents a child from taking part in physical exercise, please send a written note to the class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.
Miss C Cooper (PE Lead)

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For the first half term, children in Key Stage 2 will undertake PE sessions led by our sports coach Mr Donelan. If your child's class does not have a PE session listed below with Mr Donelan another form of physical activity will take place in that week with your child's class teacher. All children will have access to PE every week either with our Sports Coach or with their class teacher.

Your child will only need to come to school in their PE kits on the days they have PE with Mr Donelan or their class teacher. (Please see table below).

PE led by Mr Donelan in Autumn 1

	Day of PE	Week 1	Week 2 (w/c 7/9)	Week 3 (w/c 14/9)	Week 4 (w/c 21/9)	Week 5 (w/c 28/9)	Week 6 (w/c 5/10)	Week 7 (w/c 12/10)	Week 8 (w/c 19/10)
Class 7	Wednesday		PE		PE		PE		PE
Class 8	Wednesday			PE		PE		PE	
Class 9	Tuesday		PE		PE		PE		PE
Class 10	Tuesday			PE		PE		PE	
Class 11	Wednesday		PE		PE		PE		PE
Class 12	Wednesday			PE		PE		PE	
Class 13	Tuesday		PE		PE		PE		PE
Class 14	Tuesday			PE		PE		PE	

Children who are not wearing the correct kit will not be allowed to take part in PE due to health and safety regulations. We want to encourage children to be physically active after such a long time when they have been at home and not able to access parks or sports clubs, so they will also receive a positive point on the class charts system for wearing their PE kit and participating.

Absence from PE

We feel that exercise and PE are a very important part of life and the curriculum, therefore children are expected to take part in every PE lesson. If there is a health-related reason that prevents a child from taking part in physical exercise, please send a written note Mr Donelan.

Thank you for your continued support.
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Christ Church's Re-Opening Information for September 2020

CCS



Christ Church

School re-opens to staff on Tuesday 1st September and to children on Wednesday 2nd September 2020. We are planning a return to school for **all pupils and staff in September**. For those families that are currently shielding, it is expected that this will pause from 1st August so they can also return to school in September. The following information has been written to explain how school will be operating and how we will do all we can to risk assess and keep children, families and staff as safe as possible. There will continue to be regular Health and Safety reviews and we plan to evaluate circumstances at the end of September to see how the situation has evolved and risk assess school to see if changes are needed.

Why should all children return to school in September?



To support more children and enable families to begin to return to work

To support mental health and wellbeing of pupils



School has large rooms to accommodate class & year group bubbles

It is good for children to be social with their peers



The Government's scientific Advisors tell us we will be able to return safely, if we all follow the guidelines

School is the best place for children to learn



What will September look like?

- Children will be in their year group bubbles.
- We will operate a staggered entry/ exit timetable, including staggered playtimes and lunches.
- When indoors children will be in class bubbles, but will mix as a year groups when outside
- There will be no large group activities such as collective worship, singing, Key Stage activities
- There will be no trips or visits to enclosed buildings, but outdoors walks etc. will take place

Each

of

these groups

will be

called

a year group
BUBBLE!



From September 2nd onwards, the year groups in green will attend school full time every day.

Foundation 2

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6



September 7th – September 25th, FS2 will be on a part time rota in smaller bubbles, with cleaning in between. This will increase to full time on September 28th.

FS2

How are we continuing to make school safe?



We are risk assessing rooms, activities individuals

Everyone will wash their hands regularly throughout the day



If a child or adult or their family member becomes unwell they cannot come to school

School will be regularly cleaned throughout the day & thoroughly cleaned at the end of each day. Resources will also be cleaned regularly.



Some equipment may be shared in bubbles but pupils will still have their own resources and all equipment Shared resources will be cleaned between use. Shared resources will be set aside for 48/72 hours before re-use.

School should have access to testing kits for parents to administer at home if a child has symptoms. We can also advise families for test appointments.



School will need to record contact details for all those accessing site and comply with test and trace.

Parents, carers and family members are still not allowed on the school site. Children will need to say goodbye at the school gate.



Only one adult should drop off and collect children from school following the social distancing guidelines.

To do all this safely we will have to make some changes to the school timetable

Children will stay in their year group bubbles with their Teachers and Teaching Assistants. They will be taught as a full class and when outside can mix as a year group.



Year groups will be told what time to arrive at school and what time to be collected. Due to the large numbers of pupils who access our site, we will only be able to admit children at their specified times so please be punctual to keep everyone safe.





Families will be advised to make sure childrens' clothing is washed daily and to arrive at school on foot or by bicycle rather than public transport wherever possible.

How will my child keep up academically?


Before your child starts learning the curriculum for their new year group, their new teachers will baseline each child to identify gaps. This is in order to deliver a catch up curriculum so children do not have chunks of missed learning. **Please do your utmost to return your child to school on the 2nd September so they do not miss any reintegration support, wellbeing activities and assessments.** Not arriving at the start of term will make it harder for your child to return, if you are worried about this or having difficulties please contact the school office so we can support you and your child to return safely.

It will be a legal expectation for all children to return to school in September

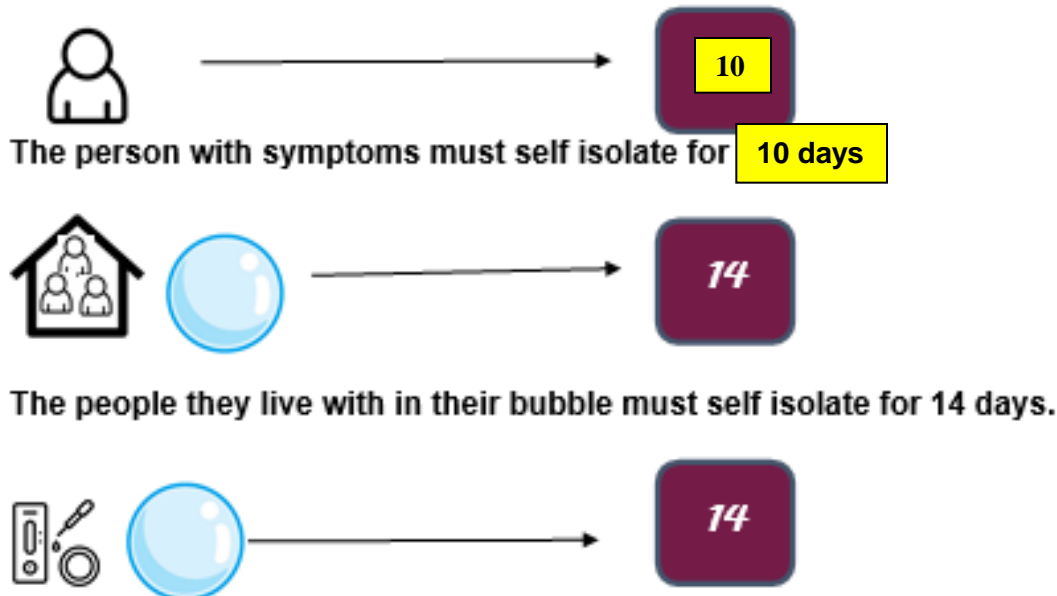
 If your child is well, the government are expecting that they should attend school.

Penalties or fines will start to begin being issued again if pupils are absent. We want to work with families so they do not end up in this position and children attend school regularly 

Will my child be tested?


 Yes, if your child shows symptoms of Coronavirus they will be able to be tested. This will not be arranged or carried out by school but we can help you access testing if your child or someone in your household becomes unwell. If a member of a bubble tests positive for COVID19 the whole year group bubble will have to stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. In this instance teachers will deliver live lessons on line with follow up activities so that remote learning is more interactive, less demanding of parents and children can make progress. **We will support with short term loans of a limited number of laptops for those families without access.**


What if there is a case of COVID19 in school?



If anyone at school tests positive, the whole year group bubble must self isolate for 14 days. This is when we will begin remote, live learning so children do not miss education.

What else may be different for children?

 Year groups will have separate drop off and collection times for Bubbles.

Lunches will be served in classrooms for children in FS2, Y1, Y2 and Y3. These will be take away bags, with varied contents. Children in Y4, Y5 and Y6 will eat in the canteen with a mixed deli bar option. 

We understand you and your child may be feeling anxious and we will do all we can to help and support a successful return to school. our cleaning routines and protective measure will remain rigorous and we ask that you do the same so we can work together to keep our community safe. Thank-you.