

Home School Agreement during COVID re-opening school phase



Hester's Way Primary School has been asked by The Department for Education (DFE) to allow key groups of children back into school as part of a phased approach to the re-opening of schools.

To enable this to happen safely and effectively, our home to school agreement has been updated.

We (school) will:

- Use the LA SHE Risk Assessment, adapting it to our school, to enable us to reduce potential risk.
- Do everything we can to try and minimise risk e.g. smaller groupings, staggered drop off and pick up times, staggered break and lunchtimes, alteration of classrooms and use of resources.
- Ensure that our staff maintain a high level of personal hygiene, in particular with regards to handwashing.
- Increase cleaning in "touch areas" and deep clean classes between "Bubble Groups".
- Ensure that we encourage the children to wash their hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.
- Ensure that we contact you straight away to share if your child is ill, ensuring that they are removed from class to isolate (please note that school staff will need to wear personal protective equipment [PPE]) at this time).
- Manage and deploy staff safely whilst ensuring all "Bubble" groups are supported by an adult.
- Review regularly and update you about any changes, as soon as possible.

You (parents) will:

- Ensure that we have up to date emergency contact details for yourself or at least one other person.
- Understand that even with a variety of procedures put in place to limit risk, social distancing is not possible in a primary school.
- Understand that some of the children that will be in school are the children of frontline staff who are in daily contact with Covid19 patients and, as such, have an increased risk of carrying the virus.
- Stick to the allocated group, given drop off and collection times and other parent/carer expectations. This is a must to ensure new systems work.
- Make sure that your child only brings their lunchbox and a coat, to school each day; These must be named.
- Collect your child immediately if your child shows any symptoms of illness on site.
- Collect your child immediately if your child behaves in a way that puts themselves or others at risk; we will be unable to use normal de-escalation techniques or those involving positive handling.
- Ensure that your child comes in clean uniform every-day and trainers. Contact the school office by phone or email if there are any issues with uniform.
- Communicate and contact teachers via phone or the admin@hestersway.gloucs.sch.uk email and do not come into school in person unless asked to attend to collect a sick child or child at risk.
- Follow social distancing measures around the school site.

Please sign below, acknowledging that you agree to these terms.

1) Child's Name _____

2) Other Child/ren's Name/s: _____

Parent's Name: (please print) _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Your form returned email acts as your agreement.

Emergency Contact Number/s _____