

Home School Agreement during COVID National Lockdown 3 – T3 2021



Hester's Way Primary School has been asked by the Department for Education (DFE) to allow Critical Key Workers and Vulnerable groups of children in school as part of the National Lock down 3, partial school closure.

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, this includes ventilation of rooms.
- Do everything we can to try and minimise risk e.g. smaller groupings, staggered, specific 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 regularly clean according to government guidance.
- Ensure that we encourage the children to wash/sanitise 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 always 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.
- Children wear uniform but also wear undergarments and extra clothing to keep them warm due to ventilated rooms; coats, hats and gloves for outdoor play; trainers worn for daily movement.
- 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.

This is the expectation for all attending school.

If you have any individual queries or concerns please email: admin@hestersway.gloucs.sch.uk

Thank you in advance for working together with school to ensure that everyone stays as safe as we possible can.